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School is told that it must do better

A SCHOOL has been told to boost standards by inspectors who claimed more needed to be done to help disabled pupils.

Colley Lane Primary School, in Cradley, has been told it 'requires improvement' by Ofsted.

One in five children at the school are either disabled or have special needs. Inspectors said staff were failing to properly motivate disabled children and the pupils were not interested in their work.

Headteacher John White acknowledged that he has got work to do. He said staff were 'disappointed' with the report but said they were working on an action plan.

"We are always talking to our children who are disabled or have special educational needs and if they don't feel tasks are motivating or exciting then we want to put that right - these are some of our most vulnerable children," he said.

"We are pleased that the report recognised the children's good behaviour and that they are safe and happy."

Vandals hit town's shops

THOUSANDS of pounds of damage has been caused after a vandal or vandals scrawled on shop windows in Halesowen town centre.

Business owners have been left counting the costs after around 17 stores were targeted, including WH Smith and BrightHouse, with 'tags' etched into window panes.

Police are looking through CCTV images in a bid to catch those responsible for the attacks last Saturday night. They have appealed for witnesses.

DEATH IN JAIL CHEATS FAMILY

By Dominic Bareham

'WE are now suffering our own life sentence.'

These are the words of the daughter of murdered Halesowen pensioner Cynthia Beamond after the man accused of her killing was found dead in his prison cell.

Beverley Hadley fought back tears as she spoke of her distress at knowing the man accused of her mother's murder will not 'face justice for this horrendous crime'.

Alleged killer Leo Barnes, aged 33, from Birmingham, was on trial for the murders of 80-year-old Mrs Beamond and Philip Silverstone, aged 67.

He was accused of bludgeoning Mrs Beamond to death with a saucepan at her home in Juliet Road on June 27 last year.

It was also alleged that he murdered Mr Silverstone with a car jack at his home in Belsize Park, London, the next day.

Police said Barnes, of Runcorn Road, Balsall Heath, was found hanging in his cell at HMP Hewell in Redditch on Sunday morning.

Devastated

Outside Wolverhampton Crown Court this week Mrs Hadley said: "We are devastated as a family that the man we believe is responsible for the brutal murder of my beloved mum is not going to face justice for this horrendous crime."

"On Friday 27 June 2014, my life changed forever when my mum and best friend went missing. Without mum, every day of our lives is painful and empty."

"Every day I wake up thinking about her and believing that this whole nightmare is just a dream, but then the realisation hits me over and over again that it is not a dream - it really is that nightmare."

"We have been deprived of those valuable final years of mum's life and those precious moments with her to say our final goodbyes."

"She is missed by everyone who knew her and her loss has left a huge void. As a family we are now suffering our own life sentence."

During the trial, Barnes, who denied the double murders, claimed Mrs Beamond died



Detective Inspector Caroline Corfield looks on as Beverley Hadley speaks outside court at the hands of a drugs gang that had just robbed him of cocaine he possessed as a drugs courier.

Giving evidence last Thursday, he said he had hidden at Mrs Beamond's home because he believed he was being followed by gangsters or the police after completing a deal nearby.

He told the court Mr Silverstone died after becoming embroiled in a three-man brawl with Barnes and a Polish man, who had hit him with a car jack.

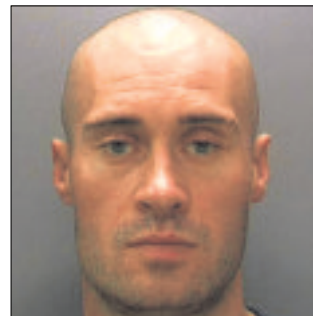
The alleged killer of the two pensioners

had been on suicide watch prior to being found hanging in his cell, prison chiefs revealed.

Barnes was found dead the day before he was to return to court for his on-going double murder trial. Last Friday he had been due to be cross-examined over the killings but had complained of feeling ill.

A Prison Service spokesman said: "As with all deaths in custody, the Independent Prisons and Probation Ombudsman will conduct an investigation."

Tributes were paid to the victims and



Leo Barnes was found hanged in his cell



Cynthia Beamond was killed at her home

their families by prosecutor Stephen Linehan QC.

He said: "The court can not express any opinion at all as to the guilt or innocence of this man, that would have been for the jury to decide. But those of us who have looked at the evidence in this case could have been in no doubt whatsoever, and no one who has seen the evidence in this case could have failed to see, Mrs Beamond come alive in the statements of her family - her goodness, her gentleness and her loving affection."

Parking protest is gathering support

CAMPAIGNERS are rallying support in their protest about problems with people parking along a busy road in Halesowen.

Whittingham Road residents say motorists are obstructing pavements and parking on double yellow lines. Now they want talks with Dudley Council in a bid to find a solution. They claim the road is clogged with traffic near to Halesowen College and Newfield Park Primary School.

Plans for a £3 million performing arts centre to be built at Halesowen College have been approved by councillors, despite concerns being raised by people living near the site. In letters to the council, they say surrounding roads would become further congested as a result.

But the college assured residents and the council that there would be no increase in numbers as a result of the development.

Ward councillors have started a campaign. Councillors Ian Cooper and Donella Russell have been joined by Halesowen and Rowley Regis parliamentary Labour candidate Stephanie Peacock to survey the street.

More double yellow lines, resident parking permits and restricted parking are among the ideas being put forward.

Hospital A&E among best

DUDLEY'S Russells Hall Hospital is among the best in England for A&E performance.

Latest NHS figures show the hospital, run by the Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, saw almost 100 per cent of its patients within four hours.

Over the week ending January 18, of 1,684 A&E patients at the hospital, 98.5 per cent were seen in time.

The NHS target is 95 per cent but hospitals elsewhere fell woefully short.

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Coroner's concern at failures after op

A CORONER has raised concerns about failings in care by hospital staff which led to a kidney disease patient suffering unnecessary pain and distress before she died.

Black Country coroner Zafar Siddique said staff at Russells Hall Hospital could have done more to ease the suffering of Medina Jones.

Mrs Jones, aged 42, of Brierley Hill, had been diagnosed with the

rare condition calciphylaxis, which affects patients with kidney disease and results in non-healing wounds.

An inquest at Smethwick Council House heard concerns raised by Anna Diamond, a lawyer representing Mrs Jones' family, that wounds had not been dressed properly, while a tissue viability nurse had not been involved early enough.

Other issues included that she

was moved between wards and there appeared to be a lack of communication between departments.

Mrs Jones was diagnosed with renal impairment in 2006. On December 19, 2012, she was taken to A&E with stomach pains and on December 25 emergency surgery was performed. Wounds failed to heal and she died on April 4.

Julie Paine, head of surgery with

Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, said improvements to procedure had been introduced since Mrs Jones' death, including wounds being better assessed.

Mr Siddique said: "Failures of wound care and pain management led to the distress for the patient and her family."

There was not enough evidence to support a verdict of neglect.

Fill-in hospital boss is on up to £36k a month

A CASH-STRAPPED hospital trust is paying an interim director up to £36,000 a month – significantly more than its chief executive.

Jon Scott has been working as interim executive director of operations at The Dudley Group of Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust since last June.

All the money has been paid to Scott Management Solutions, Mr Scott's company based in Chard, Somerset. It comes as the trust is holding talks with staff about cutting 400 jobs over two years to save £14 million.

Published accounts show Mr Scott paid £132,259 since last summer with payments of £34,200 in August, £36,000 in October, £27,859.57 in November and £34,200 in December. There were no payments recorded for July or September.

Chief executive Paula Clark, who earns £180,000 a year, said the trust had been unable to recruit a permanent operations director due to a 'national shortage'.

She hailed Mr Scott's work in having turned around accident and emergency, saying Dudley Group was one of only 11 trusts nationally to have met the four-hour waiting time target over the busy December period. It is now the fourth best performing in the country for waiting times.

She said: "Before Mr Scott joined the trust in June 2014 we were consistently missing the A&E target to see, treat, admit or discharge patients with four hours of arrival."

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Brian's a personal trainer at 64



Brian Jones from Oldbury lost over nine stone and has qualified as a fitness instructor

A FATHER-OF-TWO who fought the flab by taking up cycling has now become a personal trainer at the age of 64.

"I have always been an active sportsman," said Brian Jones, of Harborne Road, Oldbury. "I played cricket to a high level in the Birmingham League and as a teenager was on the books for both Walsall and Shrewsbury Football Clubs."

"However, when I got into my 50s I started to balloon and that was when I decided to start cycling."

The former independent financial advisor eventually hit more than 22-stone before he took up cycling at the age of 57. Seven years on, Brian has cycled more than 88,000 miles and is a member of Halesowen Cycling Club competing in time trials. He took part in the UCI World Masters Championships held in Manchester and the LVRC Veterans Track Championships in Newport.

Now he is to share his success with others as a personal trainer at Fitness First, in Olton, Solihull.

Billy has organised gig and CD for fund

BLACK Country musicians have created an album to help save a church's stained-glass window remembering the fallen from the First World War.

Poet, author and broadcaster Billy Spake Mon, real name Brian Dakin, has compiled the CD, Billy's Bostas, featuring a host of performers including Bev Pegg and John Langford ahead of a fundraising concert.

The money will go towards the £10,000 cost of relocating the window, which has had to be moved due to the redevelopment of St Michael and All Angels Church, in Langley Green.

Tickets

The plan is to relocate the window at nearby Zion United Reformed Church.

To celebrate the CD's launch, a concert will take place at the Zion Church Hall, in Langley Green Road, on February 7 at 7.30pm, featuring Mr Langford and Bren Hawthorne, Wednesbury's Poet Laureate. Tickets for the show cost £5, as does the CD.

Email b.dakin@aston.ac.uk or write to him at 19 Hawfield Road, Tividale, B69 1LG.

Donations can be made on the door on the night.

On the road for big race

THE annual fundraising Black Country Road Run is due to be held in Halesowen again on July 5.

As well as the 10km main race for over-18s only, there will be a 5km fun run for all the family.

The 10km starts from Somers Square at 9am and the fun run starts two hours later.

Anyone wishing to enter the events organised by Halesowen and Rowley Regis Rotary Club, which raises money for charities, can do so through the club's event website www.theblackcountryrun.com

Bavarian night

A BAVARIAN beer and music night in aid of Mary Stevens Hospice is being held next month.

Karl's Bavarian Brass Band is at Wilson Hall, Cradley, on February 28 at 7.45pm.

Tickets are £14 on 01384 671149.

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Birthday cash hope sparked robbery

A WOMAN robbed a shop in a bid to get money for her daughter's birthday, a judge heard. Marcia Anderson, of Rowley Regis, walked behind the counter of Samra Stores in Victoria Park Road, Smethwick and demanded cash from the till.

Wolverhampton Crown Court was told that when the manager refused the 42-year-old from Greenwood Avenue pulled something from her sleeve.

Mr Kevin Jones, prosecuting, said: "The woman shop manager thought she was going to be shot. The defendant took some loose change from a drawer and left but during the incident the manager had removed clothing that was covering her face and recognised her."

Police found Anderson with £5 that had been taken from the shop. She pleaded guilty to the robbery on July 7 on the basis that she did not threaten to kill anybody and was not armed with a gun.

Mr Jones concluded: "She told officers after her arrest that she was frantic to get some money because it was her daughter's birthday."

Judge Martin Walsh adjourned the matter to a date to be set and remanded Anderson in custody.

Celebration of diversity

AN EVENT will be held to celebrate multicultural life in Dudley a week before the English Defence League's planned march in the town.

St Thomas's Community Network, Dudley Borough Inter Faith Network and Hope Not Hate have teamed up for the event on Saturday, from 11am to 2pm at St John's Parish Hall in St John's Road, Kates Hill.

It will feature free food, live music and family entertainment and will culminate in a balloon release at 1.30pm.

The EDL protest against a new mosque is due to take place on February 7.

Microchip pets

AN ACTION day is being held for people to get their pets microchipped. The event is being organised by the RSPCA and Dudley Council at Netherton Park activity centre, in Chester Avenue, on February 4, from 10am and 4pm. A donation will be requested.

Cleared officer may face disciplinary hearing



Died — Zhang Xuan Wei, 24

A POLICE officer, who was cleared of causing the death by careless driving of a university student, could still face a police disciplinary hearing.

Pc Vaughan Lowe, a West Midlands Police traffic officer from Stourbridge, was found not guilty after a trial at Warwick Crown Court. The 43-year-old's unmarked police BMW, which had its blue lights and siren on, struck Chinese student Zhang Xuan Wei at a crossing on the A34 New Town Row in Birmingham in April 2012.

The 24-year-old Birmingham City University student, was thrown into the air by the impact and died in hospital the next day.

Lowe, who had been responding to reports of a stolen vehicle, denied causing Wei's death by careless driving.

The Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) said that Mr Lowe could still be disciplined over accusations of gross misconduct.

IPCC deputy chairman Rachel Cerfontyne said its report has been

passed on to Mr Zhang's family and West Midlands Police. She said: "It found that Pc Lowe had a case to answer for gross misconduct as his driving fell below the required standard and failed to comply with a number of national and force-wide policies, as well as the Highway Code. West Midlands Police will now finalise internal disciplinary hearings."

Assistant Chief Constable Gary Cann said: "I once again extend our heartfelt condolences to Zhang Xuan Wei's family and friends. No

parent should have to lose a child in such tragic circumstances and I am very sorry for their loss. There are no winners as a result of this verdict. A family remain grieving for a loved one and a highly skilled police officer, who has dedicated his life to public service – and who had an otherwise unblemished driving history – will forever be haunted by the events of that night."

After the verdict, Judge Andrew Lockhart QC said: "This has been, for all concerned, a case that has been difficult and involved."

Regeneration housing bid halted by lack of investor

A £35 MILLION regeneration scheme which would see hundreds of homes built in Cradley Heath has stalled after Sandwell Council failed to secure investment.

Work on the project had been planned to start this year but not a penny has been raised to pay for it. Councillors now fear it could be scrapped unless developers come on board soon.

Demand is soaring for food bank

DUDLEY Council is to pump £25,000 into the Black Country Food Bank to help the service cope with soaring demand.

The number of people using the food bank, based in Brierley Hill, rose by more than 1,000 last year.

As desperate families turn to the service at an increasing rate, the council said the funding would be used to help those most in need.

The cash will come from the council's Welfare Assistance Fund, which is set aside to aid crisis-hit families.

The council's deputy leader Stuart Turner said: "By providing funding to the Black Country Food Bank we are able to reach people most in need."

"It provides a real lifeline for some people and with our help I am sure we can reach more people who need a little helping hand in these tough times."

Emma Crook, from the Black Country Food Bank, said: "It's frightening to think of how necessary the provision of emergency food has become."

Under the plans, nearly 350 homes would be built on the land which is mostly of derelict industrial units.

A junction would also be created between Woods Lane and Macarthur Road, near Cradley Heath rail station and around 600 yards of the River Stour Corridor would be cleaned up.

Concerns

Cradley Heath councillor Julie Webb has major concerns about the development.

She said: "The Woods Lane site, until we get any finance, has been mothballed to all intents and purposes."

Myself and the other Cradley Heath councillors are fighting for investment for the area.

"The Woods Lane scheme aside, we have a number of pockets of land that have got planning permission but are not being built on and they are turning into grot spots."

Sandwell Council was hoping a large chunk of the cost of the project would be met by a major house-builder. It is now pinning its hopes on a bid for £5m funding from the Black Country Local Growth Fund.

Ian Jones, council cabinet member for jobs and economy, said developers had been put off by abnormal high development costs.

Hannah tells of seeing mother killed



Holocaust survivor Hannah Lewis in front of a photograph of her mother during the commemoration event in Dudley

HANNAH Lewis was an ordinary little girl — until the day when she watched Nazis shoot her mother dead.

Only in recent years has Hannah, aged 77, felt able to tell her story, to make sure people never forget the horrors unleashed by Nazism.

"I am often asked why I talk about it. It is because what is awful is that this was not carried out by perpetrators in a fit of rage," said Hannah. "It wasn't by people in dispute and it was not by savage people. This was done to a blueprint."

Her story captivated an audience at Dudley College's Great Hall during the town's annual Holocaust commemoration.

Hannah was born in June 1937 in Wlodawa, Poland, the much-loved only child of Adam and Haya. She came from a prosperous Jewish family. Hannah's family were marched to a labour camp called Adampol in 1943.

Hannah's father managed to escape to join the partisans fighting the German invaders but returned to urge his wife to flee with their little daughter.

But Haya told him Hannah was too weak with illness to escape. The next day Hannah saw her mother shot by a German killing squad.

"I saw her fall. I saw her blood on the snow. I knew I mustn't scream. I just stood there."

After the war Hannah joined relatives in London. She married and has four children and eight grandchildren. She has returned twice to Adampol.

"I would like to say I have been able to forgive but I have not," she said. "I have acceptance but that is different."

Axed bus route is partly restored

NEW bus routes have launched for passengers in Old Hill and Cradley, including one restoring part of a service controversially axed by transport bosses.

They will take passengers to Merry Hill shopping centre, Halesowen town centre and Blackheath.

One of the four new routes replaces part of the old 297 service, travelling through Station Road and Barrs Road.

The 297, which ran via Quarry Bank to Russells Hall Hospital, was stopped by National Express West Midlands in the summer.

Splash down to learn a vital skill

A COURSE to help youngsters develop swimming skills will be launched next month.

The course includes five half-an-hour lessons and will be held at Dudley Leisure Centre from February 16 to 20. It is suitable for children aged five and over.

Sessions will run from 9am, 9.30am, 10am and 10.30am each day. The course costs £23.50 per child. Pre-booking is essential. For more information visit the leisure centre, in Wellington Road.

Gornal's flag to fly this weekend

AN official flag for a Black Country village will be unveiled this month.

The Gornal flag has been chosen following a competition for schoolchildren.

The flag will be unfurled outside the village's library, in Abbey Road, on Saturday at 10.50am, during a ceremony when Mayor of Dudley Councillor Margaret Aston will present certificates to the winner and runners-up.

Cannabis factory is found at house

A CANNABIS factory was discovered in a raid on a house in Tipton at the weekend.

Plants with a street value of £4,000 were found by police at the property in Oakley Avenue.

The drugs haul was seized by officers in the raid on Sunday afternoon.

A 42-year-old man was questioned by police.

Cycle shelter plan

A CYCLE shelter could be built at Halesowen Leisure Centre under new plans.

The covered shelter would be installed by the front entrance. Proposals have been lodged with Dudley Council.

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES



"HE has a place in the nation's heart precisely because he was not perfect." Winston Churchill who died 50 years ago, as described this week by his great-grandson, Randolph Churchill.

A READER writes: "I am very cross that my young daughter just brought home a sofa and two chairs that someone gave her. I've told her not to accept suites from strangers."

IT'S a high-risk policy for the Mayor of Paris to threaten libel action against Fox News for suggesting there are no-go areas in Paris. "When we're insulted, and when we've had an image, then I think we'll have to sue," declares Mayor Anne Hidalgo. "The honour of Paris has been prejudiced." Well, maybe it has. But so was Birmingham's a few days ago when Fox made similar no-go claims. The difference is that Brum responded with a torrent of humour, burying Fox under a pile of jokes (loved the one about Brummie kids being forced to read the Kerrang!) and extracted a cringing apology. If Paris decides to stand on its honour and sue, what if Fox decides to fight? Any city in the world could produce dozens, or even hundreds, of locals prepared to swear under oath that there are neighbourhoods they avoid. Paris could end up with oeuuf all over its visage. Pride goeth before a fall, as the Bible doesn't quite say.

After a couple of breast-free days, the Sun reverted to form... My hunch is that Page 3 is on the way out, not because it is obscene, offensive or exploitative but because it has committed the sin that no-one dares forgive. It is, as Rupert Murdoch put it, old-fashioned. Not that Sun boobs will vanish entirely. Ask Google how many items it has under "Page 3" and the response is a depressingly vague "About 300,000,000"

ANOTHER class-based cock-up, this time from Labour's Chuka Umunna, shadow business secretary and MP for Streatham. Faced with an unexpected question, he flounced out of a Sky News interview declaring: "I'm not just going to speak off-piste." As they say in Streatham.

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Metro route to Merry Hill is back on agenda

LONG-STALLED plans to create a second Midland Metro line serving the Merry Hill Centre will be considered at a meeting this week.

Tram lines and light rail services connecting more of the Black Country with Wolverhampton and Birmingham are to be considered by transport chiefs.

The West Midlands Integrated Transport Authority, which was due to meet yesterday (Wednesday), was considering reviving the second Midland Metro line to connect the Merry Hill Centre with Wednesbury along the old Stourbridge freight line.

Zoo

Options include 'very light rail' similar to the £20 million plan for 'tram trains' to link Dudley Port station in Tipton to the site of Dudley's former station at the bottom of Castle Hill, serving Dudley Zoo, the Black Country Living Museum and Dudley Canal Trust.

A report to council leaders says it is re-visiting plans with 'the first stated priority being the Walsall to Stourbridge corridor to provide high-quality access to Merry Hill and Brierley Hill'.

The report reveals legal powers remain in place to allow the line to be built 'although to date it has not proved possible to secure

funding'. It adds: "In recognition of the difficulties in securing funding, the potential for Very Light Rail using innovative methods of track construction and motive power are being investigated in tandem with proposals for a Light Rail Innovation Centre alongside the route."

It follows a request from Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton councils which are keen to see a rapid transit network linking town centres in a bid to boost employment, education and leisure.

If given the go-ahead, the review is likely to determine which routes and types of vehicle can offer the best options in terms of benefit and value for money. It would also take into consideration new developments such as the Black Country Enterprise Zones at i54 and Darlaston.

By Daniel Wainwright

Devoted diamond couple



Kenneth and Joyce Hutton, of Amblecote, celebrate

SIXTY happy years by each other's side - Kenneth and Joyce Hutton this month mark their diamond wedding anniversary.

The couple wed in 1955 at St Peter's Church in Cradley, and live in Amblecote near to their only child, Susan, aged 55.

They met at a dance at Carlisle Hall in Stourbridge when Mr Hutton was 18 and Mrs Hutton was 16. They courted for many years before finally tying the knot.

Mr Hutton, 82, said: "We always wanted to do everything together. I wouldn't want to be with anyone else." Mrs Hutton, 80, said: "It's down to a bit of give and take to make a relationship work."

At 14 Kenneth went to work at Apex Garage in Stourbridge as a mechanic. He went on to work for British Leyland in Longbridge until 1979 and then at the Helix factory in Lye until retirement in 1989. From age 15 Joyce worked as a tailor at Lavenders in Lye. She had later spells working at Cadbury in Bournville and the James Grove button factory in Halesowen.

Punching driver led to arrest at airport

PUNCHING a colleague at a taxi company finally caught up with Omar Shahed as he prepared to board a plane almost two and a half years later, a judge heard.

The 33-year-old was involved in a bust up at Fast Line Taxis, Kingswinford, where he was working as a controller on June 7, 2012.

Wolverhampton Crown Court heard Shahed punched a driver in the face who had accused him of giving jobs to his friends.

One of the drivers thought Shahed was giving jobs to friends instead of sharing them equally, explained Mr Howard Searle, prosecuting.

Shahed was at Manchester Airport on September 19 last year and about to board a plane to Lahore when he was detained. There was no suggestion that he was trying to abscond, said Mr Malcolm Fowler, defending.

The defendant from North Street, Kates Hill, pleaded guilty to assault and was given a 26-week jail sentence suspended for 18 months with £800 costs and compensation.

Judge Robin Onions told him: "It was an unpleasant assault but a humiliating experience for you to be arrested at an airport. No explanation has been offered and it escapes me why you were not traced until you were boarding a plane on family matters."

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Experts dig deep into glass heritage

EXPERTS are to put their finds on show after completing their excavation of the grounds of the Ruskin Glass Centre.

Archaeologists began their journey into the past at the start of last year and say what they unearthed has allowed them to develop a timeline of glass making in Stourbridge.

The most exciting discovery was the remains of a glass cone once at the Wollaston Road site — similar to Wordsley's famous Red House cone — until it collapsed in the 1700s.

Window glass, bottles, phials, glass lenses and tiles were among other artefacts they came across from the site, once home to glass giants Webb Corbett and Royal Doulton.

Stourbridge MP Margot James paid a visit to the centre to view the haul and she was amazed by what she saw. She said: "The archaeological finds from this site will surely be an important spectacle for both local people and glass enthusiasts from the local area."

The findings will feature at an exhibition as part of the International Festival of Glass at the end of May.

Paul Gadwan, principle at the centre's Glasshouse College, said: "The discovery of what is believed to be one of the region's first glass cones is of great historical importance."

Protest held as councillors discuss child transport cuts

PROTESTORS gathered outside a Dudley council office to show their anger at proposals to make cuts to free transport for children with special needs.

Up to 20 demonstrators from Dudley Coalition Against the Cuts gathered outside the office of Dudley Council's children's services last week while the council's children's services scrutiny committee was meeting to discuss the changes.

The move comes as the council seeks to save more than £200,000 a year.

The authority said it is not legally required to provide the service and launched a consultation over bringing in charges.

The council currently pays for 49 children with additional needs to travel to specialist nurseries in the borough.

Demand

But leaders claim they have been forced to consider axing the service after cutbacks by Government. They also said that demand for the service will decrease and that by September, when the proposed charges could be introduced, only 11 children would be affected.

Marc Carter, of Brierley Hill, was among the demonstrators. He said the transport needed to be tailored to the children's needs, especially if they had mobility problems or medical equipment such as oxygen tanks.

By Dominic Bareham

Another option was for parents to take their children, but this would increase the pressure on them, especially if they had to drive children to different schools.

Mr Carter, who uses three transport for his son Ben, aged 12, to get him to Old Park School in Brierley Hill, suggested the contracts for the free transport should be re-tendered to see if a ten or 20 per cent saving could be made.

Committee chairman Councillor Melvyn Mottram said the council would look at alternative ways of enabling the children to get to nursery, including providing a personal budget to pay for their own transport in exceptional circumstances.

A consultation on the plans is currently taking place and runs until March 2. Visit www.dudley.gov.uk to take part.

It's panto fun from Startime Variety



Kirsty Aldridge with Julie Evans, Mandy Aldridge, Darcy Grainger and, front, Tina Chester

PERFORMERS are promising audiences a twist in the tale when they bring their latest pantomime to the stage.

Startime Variety is performing Robin Hood and the Babes in the Wood at Halesowen's Cornbow Hall until Saturday. Members have promised a colourful production filled with action and upbeat songs.

Robin Hood will be played by Kirsty Aldridge and Maid Marian by Beth Hemmings.

Jeanette Greenaway, who will be part of the chorus during the production, said: "The pantomime will be a lot of fun. There is also a twist in the tale in regards to the Babes in the Wood but we are keeping that a secret."

Performances will be held at 7.15pm throughout the run and there will also be a matinee performance on Saturday at 2.15pm. Tickets are £10 for adults and £9 for children and concessions. A family ticket, for two adults and two children, is also available priced £35. All tickets for the Saturday night performance are £12. Call 07901 055685.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Tesco axe jobs as 43 stores close

TESCO workers have been left reeling after 2,000 more than 80 in the Black Country — pay the price for sliding profits.

The UK's biggest grocer has taken the axe to 43 stores.

Tesco is closing the Smethwick Metro store on April 4 with the loss of 55 jobs. Tesco Express in Bearwood Road, Smethwick, will close on March 15, with the loss of 13 jobs, while 15 will be made redundant when Walsall Wood Tesco Express closes on the same day.

Ninder Johal, president of the Black Country Chamber of Commerce, said: "This is sad news. I hope that other supermarkets in the convenience store market will fill those gaps."

Youngsters can sing in harmony

YOUNG people's choir Pure Harmony is now accepting new members to help them continue to hit the high notes.

The choir, based in Cradley Heath, sing at concerts throughout the year and raise money for charities with a repertoire including pop and show tunes.

Leaders Eleanor Rushbury and Lis Round are both school teachers. Pure Harmony meet Mondays during term time at Lawrence Lane Methodist Church from 6pm to 7pm and attendance is free.

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Appeal exceeded all expectations

THE branch committee of Lower Gornal Royal British Legion would like to extend a grateful thanks to all contributors to our annual poppy appeal. Despite the sudden sad demise of our chief organiser, known to many of you, we did exceed all expectations with a magnificent sum of £8,300, an increase over the past few years.

A special thanks to the local business, shops, libraries, schools and churches who contributed in such a magnificent manner, not forgetting the contribution of the local residents, who as always were mag-

nanimous. Our remembrance parade was again a success with a large attendance and we thank all the youth organisations and schools which attended, a special thank you to the police officers who attended from a night shift to ensure our safety.

Although the past year was the centenary of the outbreak of the Great War we must not forget that it was four more years before the fighting ended, the effect on a small village as Lower Gornal must not be forgotten.

STAN HOUGH
Treasurer Lower Gornal RBL

Eyes closed to potholes

WHENEVER I have notified any local council of potholes these 'obstructions' have soon been rectified. But looking at the ever increasing number of them now makes me wonder.

Do employees of the councils travel around with their eyes closed? Do none of them ever have the shock of their cars being almost wrecked after hitting a hole in the road?

P COLE
Kingswinford

Fox hunting is barbaric

THERE is no place in a civilised society for the barbaric sport of fox hunting, or the hunting of deer for that matter.

How can anyone get pleasure from chasing a small terrified animal to exhaustion with a pack of hounds then watching it ripped to pieces is beyond me.

What happens to the poor hounds that get old or of no further use too?

E BARROWS
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Sit and wait at GP's to solve A&E problem

I HAVE seen many letters blaming not being able to get a doctor's appointment for two weeks for the influx of patients at A&E departments in hospitals. But if your condition is serious you can be seen as an emergency patient at your GP surgery anyway and he/she will decide if you need hospital treatment.

If you can wait two weeks for an appointment then you are not ill enough to go to A&E. I wonder how many people have grumbled about the wait only to find that they got better anyway and had to cancel the appointment, or worse still just did not attend.

I have many times attended my appointment to find not a single soul in the huge waiting room, been

called straight in and taken a few minutes with the doctor. When I've come out still an empty waiting room. So the doctor then waits for his next patient to arrive, precious minutes that could have been spent dealing with someone under the old system of sit and wait.

I think the two systems could be run side by side in all surgeries with a doctor on duty each day for patients prepared to sit and wait. I know this does happen in walk in centres but there are not enough of them so people are using A&E as walk in centres instead. I also think surgeries should be open at weekends, people are not ill just on weekday.

J JAMES
Wordsley

Lost hours in surgery

I HAVE worked in general practice since 1989, so I feel able to comment in defence of this service.

There is a lot of negative press about how poorly A&E is performing and one of the reasons for increased demand has been blamed on patients not being able to access their GP for an appointment.

At the surgery where I work during December, 40 patients failed to attend for their appointment. This is the equivalent to a GP sitting waiting for seven hours for patients to arrive. What a waste of resources!

We are just one surgery. If you looked nationally imagine what the numbers would add up to! Patients have to take responsibility too. It is a partnership between the NHS and patients, we both need to play our part.

NAME AND ADDRESS SUPPLIED

March OK, parade not?

WOMBOURNE with the backing of the local community are going to re-instate their carnival but because of insurance they will not be able to have their parade around the village. Apart from the pot holes, I would have thought they could manage to navigate around the village without creating too much of a risk. Perhaps they should have their parade on behalf of the English Defence League or the Unite Against Fascists as there doesn't appear to be problems regarding insurance with their marches!

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Funding to help find youth jobs

A BLACK Country training company has secured a slice of £10 million Big Lottery funds to help support hundreds of jobless young people in Sandwell.

BCTG is the only company in the borough to work with the recently-launched Talent Match programme targeting out-of-work 19 to 24-year-olds.

Five jobs have been created to manage the programme in Sandwell aimed at young people who are furthest from the jobs market to secure opportunities.

The Sandwell scheme and its new base are being officially launched on February 12 at The Hub, in High Street, West Bromwich. Talent Match, a national programme, aims to boost opportunities for young people.

Valley bird centre is taking shape

A NEW visitor centre in the heart of a Black Country nature reserve is starting to take shape.

The foundations have been laid and walls are being built as progress continues to be made on the new centre at the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) Sandwell Valley nature reserve.

Work started in earnest in October on the new centre, which is being built on the site of the old centre on Tanhouse Avenue, Great Barr, that was destroyed in an arson attack in 2010.

Nadia Shaikh, a spokesman for the RSPB, said the aim was to have the new centre completed by June, in time for an official opening in July.

New hope for Hippodrome as group given extra time

DUDLEY Hippodrome has taken one step closer to reopening as an entertainment venue after council leaders agreed there was 'potential for a major and very exciting' scheme to bring the site back into use.

Entertainment company The ROK Group has been given a further two months to work on its business plan.

It proves a major milestone in the campaign to save the theatre, which just two years ago was on the brink of demolition under council plans.

Wolverhampton-based businessman Jonathan Kendrick, co-founder of The ROK Group, is behind the £8 million transformation plans for the Hippodrome.

The theatre opened in 1938 and closed in 1964. It later became a bingo hall, but that, too, closed in 2009.

Investment

In its heyday the theatre hosted stars such as comic Max Miller, Harry Secombe, Tommy Cooper, Humphrey Lyttleton, Bob Hope, Laurel and Hardy and George Formby.

Mr Kendrick, whose father Vic owned the building in the 1960s, said his company have now submitted three versions of the business plan to run the venue.

He said the deal needs to be resolved as soon as possible.

"I'm pleased that we have got to this stage but it has

By Andrew Turton

taken a long time to get here," he said. "We have got to make a decision on this soon otherwise we will take our investment elsewhere."

"It is especially emotional for me, with my attachment to the Hippodrome. We think it is the perfect setting."

"Where else would you have unique attractions like the zoo and museum — that's what Dudley can offer."

Under Mr Kendrick's plans the Hippodrome would become a multi-purpose venue, with moving stages so it could host a wide range of events, from pop concerts to snooker competitions. His proposal also includes an exclusive 'unlimited' auditorium, which would mean people unable to make shows could watch performances via a pay-per-view Hippodrome app.

He has pledged to work with campaign group the Friends of Dudley Hippodrome on the ambitious project.

Dancing Grannies team up with Marlene



Comedienne Marlene Watson with the Fizzogs' Dancing Grannies Sue Hawkins, Deb Nicholls and Jacky Fellows

COMEDY sensations The Dancing Grannies are back — this time with a little help from Black Country comedienne Marlene Watson.

The grannies, part of Fizzog Theatre Productions, will be reappearing in their latest comedy tour called Fifty Shades of Fizzogs next month.

This time Deb Nicholls, Sue Hawkins and Jackie Fellows will be joined by Quarry Bank-born Mrs Watson, who herself has become an internet sensation at the age of 68 after posting jokes on her Facebook page A

Black Country Wench. Mrs Watson, of Wall Heath, will be touring with the grannies.

Fizzog Deb Nicholls, 42, from Wollaston, said: "Marlene is as mad as a frog, she is just what we're looking for to support our show. We've been hoping to work with her for a long time."

The Dancing Grannies recently found fame when a video of them performing to Flo Rida's 'Low' and Beyonce's 'Single Ladies' at Stourbridge Carnival went viral, viewed more than a million times on the internet. Mrs

Watson said: "When the opportunity came, of course I've jumped at it. I think they are great and isn't good to see the popularity they now have after the Youtube coverage."

Shows at Quarry Bank and Bridgnorth are sold out. But tickets are still available for the remaining tour dates at Wednesbury Town Hall on February 20, Midlands Arts Centre in Edgbaston on February 21, Wolverhampton Arena Theatre on February 27 and Netherton Arts Centre on March 6 and 7.

Barking dogs help to catch burglar

A PROLIFIC burglar has been locked up after two dogs helped put an end to his thieving spree.

Jonathan Cartwright did not count on the dogs which blocked his path at a house in Seymour Road, Lye.

Their barks alerted the homeowner who had been watching TV in the front room.

The 45-year-old found Cartwright in his kitchen and gave chase but the burglar got away, scrambling over a garden fence.

However, the resident gave detectives an accurate description of the crook to point local officers towards Cartwright, of Thorns Road, Quarry Bank.

The 32-year-old was known to police and had also been arrested in July in connection with a break-in at Netherton Park Family Centre in which thieves targeted a shed.

Cartwright was picked out by the homeowner in an identity parade over the burglary in April.

He was jailed for three years at Wolverhampton Crown Court after being found guilty of burglary.

Detective Constable Sean Lowe said: "We know our more prolific offenders inside out and from the description provided, plus the tactic used to gain entry, we immediately suspected Cartwright was the offender."

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Woman is jailed after two dogs left starving

Olympic seats for Tivdale



With seats from the Olympic Stadium are Tivdale FC club treasurer Richard Harrison, left, and first team manager Ian Long, at Packwood Road

TIVDALE Football Club's battle to get their ground up to league standard has been helped by the arrival of a batch of seats from London's Olympic Stadium.

In the coming weeks a total of 190 yellow plastic seats are set to be fitted into the main stand at The Beeches ground, as the club embarks on a race against time to improve facilities at the stadium.

Tivdale, who currently sit 14th in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier League First Division South, have been told by league bosses they need to upgrade the ground by the end of March.

This includes fitting new seating in the New Birmingham Road stand as part of an increase in ground capacity to 1,300. An army of volunteers have already helped to install new turnstiles and changing rooms at the ground on Packwood Road.

A new standing area is planned for the Birch Terrace part of the stadium ahead of the start of the 2015/16 campaign.

Treasurer Richard Harrison said Tivdale's secretary Leon Murray contacted bosses at the Olympic Stadium when he found out they were offloading yellow seats, a match for their mainly yellow strip.

A PET owner from Halesowen has been jailed for five months after leaving her two dogs starving, one dying as a result.

Jodi Russell, from Hillwood Road, was sentenced at Dudley Magistrates Court after magistrate Neville Jinks described the animal cruelty case as "one of the worst cases of animal cruelty this court has seen for a very long time".

The 28-year-old was also given a lifetime ban from looking after animals or being associated with them in any way.

Russell, a mother of four, was found guilty of two charges of causing unnecessary suffering to the dogs and four charges of failing in her duty as an owner at Dudley Magistrates' Court.

Russell will serve a 20-week sentence for the offences, to run concurrently.

The court heard the dogs were described as 'lifeless' and given the lowest possible condition ratings by vets after they were seized from Russell's former home in Maple Road fourteen months ago.

One of the dogs, named Storm, was described as the thinnest a vet had ever seen and died within 24 hours. The other survived and was later re-homed.

The court heard how RSPCA charity inspector Steven Morrell found the dogs in a starving state in urine-soaked cages in the living room of Russell's home while children played around them.

Mr Daryll Foster, defending, said Russell was suffering emotionally when she had the dogs, following the death of her father and after splitting up with her partner.

He said: "Miss Russell, in hindsight, now accepts that she has done wrong."



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New cameras to catch motorway speeders



Driver beware – the new speed cameras will be installed on a stretch of the M6 on the overhead gantries
HARD-TO-SPOT speed cameras are to be installed on a stretch of the M6.

The Highways Agency says the new cameras, part of a £2.1 million national project, will be able to monitor all four lanes including the hard shoulder from overhead gantries. Conventional cameras are trained on one lane.

There are calls for the grey camera housings to be painted yellow like the old Gatso cameras on normal roads.

The Hade3 cameras will be installed between junctions 10a for the M54 and 13 Stafford of the M6. The work is part of the £87.5m smart mo-

torways project which will bring in variable speed limits and open the hard shoulder to traffic in busy times.

Yellow

John Spellar, MP for Warley and a former transport minister, said: "When I was transport minister I ordered that speed cameras should be painted a clearly visible yellow. The aim should be to adjust behaviour, not to catch out motorists. It seems these are being sneaked into the managed motorway network."

"I instigated this programme of hard shoulder running which gives a big boost to capacity and better journeys.

However, too often speed restrictions are left on when the congestion has passed. Police and Highways Agency should get their act together and stop fleeing the hard pressed motorists."

Hugh Bladon, of the Alliance of British Drivers, said: "The 70mph limit is not a speed that a lot of people bother to observe. It was brought in at a time when the stopping power of cars was a bit like stopping an oil tanker."

A Highways Agency spokesman said: "There are clear signs where cameras are in place."

Meanwhile, mobile speed cameras have accounted for 1,285 fines on Manor Way, the Halesowen bypass.

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Drownie's name lives on in the ravine at Dudley Zoo



Workers found Tina's named ravine during restoration



Mr Tumper's name still daubed above his enclosure



Tina – a female member of Dudley Zoo's bear family – in her enclosure



The bears in their 1930s Tecton home, which dates back to when the zoo opened

Bear facts of life in zoo ravine uncovered during restoration

THEY were once star attractions, delighting young and old alike, but their names had been forgotten until now.

Engineers revamping Dudley Zoo's bear ravine were surprised to discover the names of bears formerly housed at the building still painted over their den doors.

The discovery was made as workers began clearing out the den area at the base of the famous Tecton enclosure.

The names of the bears – Tina, Drownie and Mr Tumper – are daubed in paint above the metal den doors. All three would have lived within the enclosure and been a draw for visitors to the attraction.

Workers also discovered a steel-spiked roller used as a security measure on the lower cantilevered platform to prevent the animals reaching visitors.

It is not the first time long-hidden parts of the attraction's long history have been uncovered by an ongoing restoration pro-

MEMORY LANE

Report by Lee Watton

ject. Construction supervisor Carlo Diponio said the latest find made the history of the building 'come even more alive'.

"The den doors are still in great condition, although the dens themselves are not suitable for modern day animal husbandry," he said. "The roller just needs cleaning up and galvanising."

"It was a real surprise to discover the names of some of the bears who once lived there still clearly painted on the doors."

Zoo experts said it was not known when these particular bears lived at the attraction.

Dr David Beeston, registrar and research co-ordinator at the zoo, said the ravine was last used to house Himalayan brown bears in the late 1970s.

And bosses have confirmed the discovered names will be retained – remaining part of

the attraction in future. Work on the bear ravine is being carried out as part of the second phase of a £1.15 million project funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Earlier work has seen the iconic zoo entrance and the Safari Shop restored. Zoo chief executive Peter Suddock said restoration work would include adding a toughened piece of glass into the floor so visitors could view the dens underneath.

The steel roller will also be restored to its original position.

Balcony

Mr Suddock said: "We are hoping to keep an animal species on the lower level, which incorporates the original bear pit, but the dens won't be in use."

"By putting a clear glass panel in the floor of the balcony where visitors will be able to access it will allow them to see the dens below and spot the bear names for themselves."

Previous finds during the restoration include the discovery of an advertisement

for Black Country sweet company Teddy Gray's rock. Workers removing paint on one of the old sweet kiosks made the find.

The advertisement dated back to 1937, when the zoo first opened to the public.

And workers at the bear ravine also previously came across an enamel plaque, dating from the 1950s, on the pit wall.

Both the kiosk and bear ravine are 1930s Tectons and date back to when the zoo first opened. The zoo has the world's single largest collection of Tecton buildings, 12 listed structures around the site intended for both animal and visitor use.

They were built by Berthold Lubetkin's Tecton Group. The ravine is considered by experts to be the most impressive Tecton within the collection, according to bosses at the attraction.

Workers have put up £15,000 of scaffolding around the bear ravine structure while work takes place.

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The Early Help and Family Information Service directory has details on support organisations, leisure facilities and childcare services in the Dudley borough.

It can be accessed by logging on to fisd.dudley.gov.uk or calling (01384) 814398. Residents can also e-mail the team at cs@dudley.gov.uk.

Services listed on the directory include those offering advice on financial issues, parenting, breastfeeding, healthy lifestyles, play, schools, bullying and staying safe and much more.

Parents of disabled children will find useful contacts for available services across the borough. There is also detailed information about services and support arrangements available for children and young people with Special Educational Needs or Disability and their families.

Action plan to tackle patient waiting times for blood tests

WAITING times for patients having blood tests in Dudley will be reduced under plans to improve the service.

People have to wait an average of 30 minutes although at busy times it can take up to an hour for them to be seen by a phlebotomist.

Extra staff will be recruited to help meet the demand for the service and the waiting area for patients will be revamped at Russells Hall Hospital. The service is also being relocated within the hospital before March.

The number of blood test work stations and waiting rooms at the Corbett outpatient centre in Stourbridge will be increased.

It's not yet known how many extra phlebotomists will be recruited to take blood tests as the plans are still at an early stage.

Bosses at Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust are also looking at offering patients the chance to book appointments and are also considering offering the service for the first time at the Guest outpatient centre in Dudley.

Demand

Paula Clark, chief executive of Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust said: "Due to increasing demand on our phlebotomy service, The Trust is looking into the feasibility of extending the service to help improve waiting times and provide a more comfortable area for patients to wait."

"Because the service is open access — patients do not need to book an appointment — the num-

bers of patients we see each hour can be unpredictable and the department can get very busy and overcrowded. This is generally for a short period in the morning.

"Our waiting time audits show that patients are often seen within 10 minutes of arrival and the average waiting time is no longer than 30 minutes. During peak times patients can wait up to 60 minutes to be seen by a phlebotomist."

"Our plan is to relocate the service within Russells Hall Hospital, increase the number of blood test work stations and waiting rooms at Corbett Outpatient Centre and consider offering the service at Guest Outpatient Centre. We plan to increase the number of phlebotomists taking blood tests and introduce planned booked appointments for some testing."

Firms urged to back forces day

COMPANIES are being urged to show their support for the armed forces by getting involved in a popular annual event.

Dudley Council is looking for firms in the area to sponsor this year's Armed Forces Day.

The event attracts around 8,000 visitors every year with activities held at Himley Hall and Park.

Sponsorship packages range from £1,000 to £5,000 but packages for lower values are available. Firms wanting to find out more are asked to visit www.dudley.gov.uk/business/advertising or telephone (01384) 815228. Or email promotions@dudley.gov.uk.

Council officials said Armed Forces Day recognised and celebrated both those currently serving and veterans.

This year's Armed Forces Day will be held in June.

Shoe drama puts couple off flying



John, 77, and Hilda Holland, 79, vow to never fly again

A PENSIONER hit on the head by a falling shoe on a plane has vowed she 'won't fly anymore'.

Hilda Holland, aged 79, from Rowley Regis, was badly injured when the footwear dropped from an overhead luggage compartment on the Thomas Cook flight on January 10. Fifty minutes into the flight from Fuerteventura to Birmingham, a fellow passenger opened the locker when the heavy leather suede shoe fell out.

Mrs Holland was treated by two nurses who happened to be on the Thomas Cook Airbus A321-211. The plane made a diversion to Lisbon where Hilda was rushed on a stretcher to hospital and given a CT scan, which showed no permanent damage. Mrs Holland was kept in overnight before she and husband John, 77, were allowed to return to the airport. She said: "I was sitting there and all of a sudden I felt a bang on my head. I blame it on people trying to take too much luggage on the plane because they don't want to pay. We won't fly anymore."

A spokesperson for Thomas Cook said: "We hope Mrs Holland makes a full recovery."

Chamber boss to highlight region

BLACK Country Chamber of Commerce's chief executive says she will use an upcoming conference to highlight the area in national business plans.

The British Chambers of Commerce annual conference will bring together senior politicians and business leaders to agree on a 'Business Plan for Britain', which they hope to pass on to the next Government after May's General Election.

The conference is intended to examine the ways in which Government can build a positive landscape for business. Discussions will centre on developing the talents of the next generation, growing UK exports, devolution to all regions of the UK and the Britain's relationship with the European Union.

Chief executive Margaret Corneby said: "This is an opportunity for Black Country businesses to shape the thinking of decision makers."

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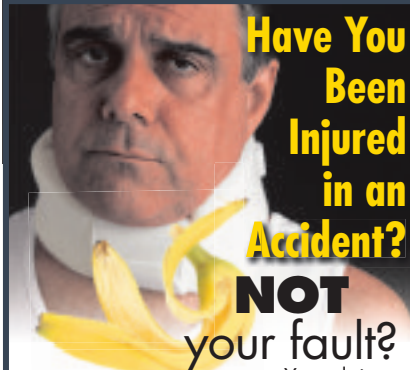
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Motorcyclists ride again in memory of Brandon



Among Brandon's bikers Anthony Winsper, Adrian Henefer, Lorraine Shelley, Rob Millard and, front, Ian Dent

MORE than 250 bikers turned out to honour a 27-year-old cancer victim in a ride from Halesowen to Shropshire and back.

Last January it was Brandon Carter who was centre stage at the rally which saw the bikers travel from Halesowen to a popular bikers' cafe at Quatford, near Bridgnorth, when he fulfilled his dream of riding on a Harley Davidson, months after he had been diagnosed with terminal skin cancer.

Brandon, from Colley Gate, lost his

battle with cancer in May but motorcycle enthusiasts were determined to ride again for Brandon and to raise cash for the cancer charity backed by his family. The riders met at Street-bike in Dudley Road on Sunday to embark on the 40-mile round trip.

His uncle David Brenton said: "It was an absolutely fantastic day. I know his mum Carole wanted to thank everybody for remembering her son."

The family have moved closer to their £10,000 target with almost £1,000 from the rally taking their total to £6,800 for the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Fighting Skin Cancer Fund.



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Door into the past is found at historic park



Walled garden project leader Mick Freer takes a look at the bricked up door in Leasowes Park, Halesowen

A RENOVATION project at a historic walled garden has unearthed some hidden gems, including doorways dating back to the 18th century.

Members of the Halesowen Abbey Trust are carrying out a £500,000 project to restore the derelict site at the Grade I listed Leasowes Park to its former glory.

The doors, which date to 1776, were discovered while the site was being cleared. Project leader Mick Freer said they plan to restore the doorways.

Squeaky Joe is king again

THE Knights who say Ni are coming back to Birmingham. Spamlot, the hit West End show based on movie Monty Python and the Holy Grail, will be staged at Birmingham's New Alexandra Theatre from February 2 to 7. Playing King Arthur will be squeaky-voiced comic Joe Pasquale.

MP fears impact of job cuts at hospital

AN MP has urged Government ministers to step in to prevent job losses at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital

In a passionate House of Commons speech Dudley North MP Ian Austin said the proposed cutting of 400 jobs at Russells Hall Hospital over the two years would have a significant impact on quality of care.

The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, which runs the hospital, is holding talks with staff and has opened a two-phased redundancy plan.

By Rob Cox

Speaking in a debate on the NHS, Labour MP Mr Austin said: "Everyone agrees that savings should first be sought among management and back office functions but the truth is even if they sacked every manager it wouldn't even come close to the sort of savings the hospital needs to make. Instead, making redundancies could affect theatre staff, radiologists, staff dealing with blood tests and even some midwives will be able to apply for redundancy."

"The trust says it will do everything it can to protect the service patients receive but no-one can pretend our hospital can lose almost one in 10 of its workforce without having a real impact on frontline patient care."

He told MPs that hundreds of residents had responded to his survey with 98 per cent saying they thought care at the hospital will deteriorate if job cuts go ahead.

While praising staff for battling "heroically" over Christmas, he said pressures on resources were increasing. He added: "In common with other NHS trusts the Dudley group is required to make efficiency savings of four per cent a year, which equates to £12 million each year. At the same time the hospital is facing costs pressures caused by increased demands on emergency services and providing seven day services."

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Plan to convert pub into shop

A LANDMARK pub in Stourbridge will become the latest to be converted into a shop, under new plans.

Proposals to transform the Giggill pub, in South Road, Norton, into a store have been tabled by Marston's brewery.

The brewery have submitted plans to Dudley Council for a change of use to retail, extending the building and creating a new shop front and service area.

Council planning officers have recommended that the plans are approved when it comes before Dudley Council's planning committee on Monday.

Campaigns have helped to save pubs in Sedgley and Cradley Heath facing similar threats.

Direct rail service is back on track

AN hourly direct train service from Hagley to Worcester has been reinstated following calls from campaigners.

Train operator London Midland had axed the service when the timetable was redesigned to accommodate an improved Hartlebury service and passengers from Hagley then had to change at Kidderminster.

Hagley residents, backed by members of the Stourbridge Line User Group (SLUG), argued trains could easily make up the time needed to call at Hagley so London Midland agreed to resume the service. Chairman Rob Hebron said: "The group is pleased about the restored service."

Academy schools under fire over falling standards

ACADEMIES in Sandwell have come under fire from council leader Darren Cooper after he called the standard of education for young people in the borough 'unacceptable'.

Councillor Cooper will summon school headteachers to a meeting to discuss plummeting standards.

He said he wanted to talk about how the council could support the schools to 'change their ways'. Many of the secondary schools in the borough had chosen to become academies to move away from council involvement in their affairs. But Councillor Cooper said he felt the standard of education available to young people in Sandwell was 'unacceptable'.

The council has pledged to take action at Ace Academy in Tipton and Wodensborough Academy in Wednesbury following a significant drop in GCSE results.

It said Bristnall Hall Academy, Oldbury Academy and Mesty Croft Primary Academy had all fallen below a good Ofsted rating since the change. RSA Academy, Ormiston Sandwell Community Academy and Forge Academy are all rated as requiring improvement by Ofsted. There has been a three-year decline in GCSE exam performance at both Sandwell Academy and Wood Green Academy.

Council children's chief Simon Hackett accused the Government of 'ripping'

by Dominic Bareham

money out of the council which had resulted in the authority no longer being able to continue its oversight role.

While he regarded the performance of the borough's primary schools as 'excellent,' standards had dropped at secondary schools which were no longer council maintained.

He added: "Children in these schools are Sandwell children and what they deserve is the best possible education to give them the best start in life. Even though this Government wants us to keep our hands off, I don't agree with that."

Caroline Bletso, a spokesman for Ormiston Academies Trust, said: "The longer that schools are part of Ormiston Academies Trust, the better they get. We are absolutely focused on driving performance in every academy we support, including the underperforming schools we have recently taken over from the council."

Roll up for a spectacular Barnum



Brian Conley takes centre stage as Phineas Taylor Barnum in Cameron Mackintosh's revival of circus musical Barnum, Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton

ROLL UP roll up for the great circus musical ever... then there have not been that many circus musicals.

Barnum was a Broadway hit in the early 1980s and its West End version is chiefly known for reigniting Michael Crawford's star quality just before he landed the big one, the Phantom job.

It's a favourite show of impresario Cameron Mackintosh, who perhaps feels a kinship with the great 19th Century American showman PT Barnum. It is Mackintosh who is behind this touring revival of Cy Coleman and Michael Stewart's musical.

The fun starts before curtain up with jugglers and acrobats mingling with the audience, before the original

flim-flam man, Phineas Taylor Barnum, takes centre stage singing There Is A Sucker Born Ev'ry Minute.

Brian Conley is the sort of entertainer who dominates a stage and is so perfectly cast as the extrovert showman, joking with the audience and performing magic tricks and an impressive wire-walking act. He can handle the change of pace for some more poignant moments. His gravel voice meant some of Stewart's witty and clever lyrics were lost, but overall Conley's performance, like Barnum himself, was a triumph of chutzpah.

Excellent support came from West End regular Linzi Hateley as the long-suffering Mrs Barnum, whose level-headed takes Phineas from side-show barker to celebrity showman.

Kimberly Blake was poised and elegant as 'Swedish Nightingale' Jenny Lind, Mrs B's love rival.

The choreography by an incredibly hard working and gymnastic cast, particularly Mikey Jay-Heath as a dynamic 'tiny' Tom Thumb, is first class.

The only drawback is the one that has always bedevilled the show, song-wise it is all filler and no killer. The general theatre-going public are probably dimly aware of Come Follow The Band, all the other songs are pleasant but forgettable, failing to match the spectacular production.

Barnum is at the Grand until Saturday and returns to the region at Birmingham Hippodrome from July 7 to August 1.

Leon Burakowski

Backing for Sir Winston's memorial

A £100,000 funding bid to restore an iconic Dudley memorial to war-time leader Winston Churchill is to be drawn up.

The campaign to bring back the colourful stained-glass tribute, which formed the centrepiece of Dudley's original Churchill Precinct for more than 20 years, was launched in 2013.

As the nation marks the 50th anniversary of Sir Winston's death, it has now been announced the vital funding bid for the memorial will now be drawn up.

The original memorial consisted of 17 panels which stretched across a section of the Churchill Precinct. It was designed by world-renowned artist Edward Bainbridge Copnall and was unveiled in 1969. The memorial was taken down in 1991 after vandal attacks and weather damage took their toll. Remaining panels were placed in storage.

Dudley North MP Ian Austin, who started the campaign, has brought together a team which has met with Heritage Lottery Fund bosses. The team has now won Dudley Council backing to put together the £100,000 bid to fund the restoration project.

Mr Austin said: "I'm really pleased we're able to make this announcement to coincide with the anniversary of Winston Churchill's death 50 years ago. Everyone who grew up in Dudley will remember the magnificent memorial."

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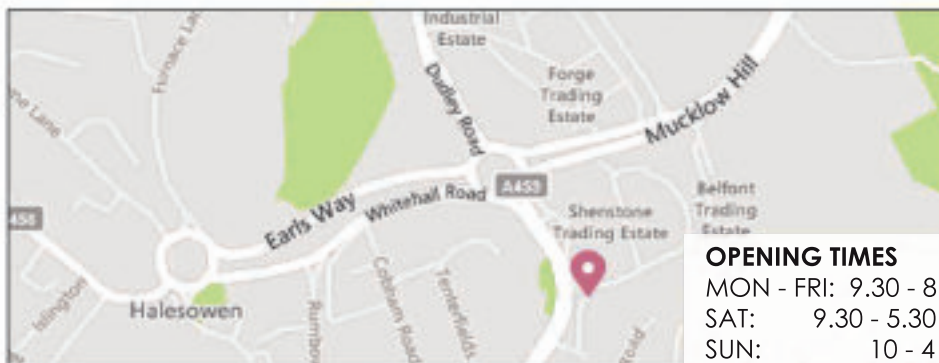
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New releases on DVD and Blu-ray

If you missed out on some of the best recent TV shows there is a chance to catch up via the latest DVD and Blu-ray releases.

Hard-hitting BBC drama *The Missing* (15) stars James Nesbitt and Frances O'Connor as the frantic parents of five-year-old boy who goes missing on a French holiday, which leads to a gripping and heart-breaking quest. It is available for DVD and Blu-ray.

The first three series of the US remake of dark Danish thriller *The Killing* (15), with Mireille Enos as detective Sarah Lindon investigating a teenager's murder, is now available as a box set on DVD and Blu-ray. The fourth series was recently on Netflix.

History buffs may enjoy two new titles.

Britain's Bloodiest Dynasty *The Plantagenets* (15), shows actual medieval history is just as full of feuding families, violence and betrayal as a series of *Game of Thrones*. Dan Snow's docu-drama was originally shown on Channel 5. It's now out on DVD.

Britain has some of the finest castles in the world, largely thanks to those Normans and Plantagenets. In BBC documentary *Secrets Of The Castle* time travelling historian Ruth Goodman joins archaeologists Peter Ginn and Tom Pinford to learn the skills of the castle builders. They join an ambitious project to build a medieval style castle from scratch at Guedelon in France. It is available on DVD.

Ballet springs into action after £2.7m revamp of HQ

New 'king' and Queen still reign

Queen and Adam Lambert, Barclaycard Arena, Birmingham
AFTER all these years Queen still reign supreme. And the ecstatic fans at the packed Birmingham Barclaycard Arena were more than happy to be their loyal subjects as they brought the house down.

It was a sensational mix of the new 'king' Adam Lambert and long-time musicians still at the top of their game, Brian May and Roger Taylor, and brilliant interaction with the fans who were in awe throughout.

Lambert's ludicrously good vocal talents went perfectly with Queen's music. Since his spectacular performance with Queen on New Year's Eve at London's O2, music fans and critics Lambert have raved about him and after performances in Glasgow and Newcastle the shows have been hailed as 'an all-guns-blazing rock machine'.

And the Arena crowd echoed those sentiments as they clapped and sang along to one favourite after another, opening with *One Vision* and later the very appropriate *We Will Rock You* – and they did, Don't Stop Me Now – why would we want to? And *We Are The Champions* – no doubt about that! They saved that one for the end with the fans up on their feet. And



Adam Lambert and Brian May – terrific interaction with the fans

there was of course the song crowned the UK's favourite Number One – *Bohemian Rhapsody*.

In fact it was Lambert's own virtual duet with Freddie Mercury, who appeared on a large screen to huge cheers from the crowd, on *Bohemian Rhapsody* that truly showed how well his vocals compete with the great man himself.

Lambert paid tribute to 'the wonderful Freddie Mercury' by saying

how much he had inspired him from an early age.

And in another poignant moment Roger Taylor sang *These Are The Days Of Our Lives*... as old images of the band flashed up on screen.

With imagery of Mercury it was a fitting tribute to the man himself. No-one will ever be able to replace him but there's currently no-one else who could better fill his shoes.

SUE ATTWATER

BIRMINGHAM Royal Ballet, is springing back into action for 2015 following the £2.7 million revamp of its HQ in the city.

The company presents *An Evening of Music and Dance* at Birmingham Symphony Hall on Saturday. BRB director David Bintley will compere the event which will include classical favourites from the Royal Ballet Sinfonia plus scenes from the company's repertoire.

These will include Momoko Hirata as Swanilda in *Coppélia*, Céline Gittens as Odile in *Swan Lake* with Tyrone Singleton as *The Prince*, and Elisha Willis as *Cinderella*. There will also be the world premiere of a new ballet, *Matryoshka*, from BRB's Ruth Brill.

Strictly

BRB then launches its season at Birmingham Hippodrome with *Moving Stateside*, featuring three American ballets, on February 18 and *Coppélia* from February 24.

Strictly Come Dancing judge and former Royal Ballet star Darcey Bussell, in her capacity as President of Birmingham Royal Ballet's Campaign for the Future, was among guests who last week got a tour of the company's refurbished building behind the Hippodrome, which has three state-of-the-art dance studios.

Ms Bussell said: "The new facilities will allow Birmingham Royal Ballet to welcome the community,



Dancers Miki Mizutani and Tzu-Chao Chou rehearse

nurture the talent of the future and maintain their position at the forefront of both British and international dance."

It also sends its professionals into schools to introduce ballet to youngsters.

BRB director David Bintley said that the studios meant nothing unless they were filled with dancers, particularly young people.

He added: "What we now have in this building is a wonderful platform to make that next step."

Toyah getting up close and acoustic

PUNK princess, TV presenter and actress Toyah brings her Acoustic Up Close and Personal show to Bilston's Robin 2 venue on Thursday, February 5.

Birmingham's Toyah Willcox appeared in the Derek Jarman movies *Jubilee* and his surreal take on *The Tempest*, and mod favourite *Quadrophenia*, before her music career took over in the 1980s with hits including *It's A Mystery* and *I Want To Be Free*. As a TV presenter she has presented both *The Good Sex Guide* Late and *Songs Of Praise*!

There will be mirth as well as music with support from the Black Country's rising comedy star Jonny Cole and local rocker Steve Mercy. Call the box office on 01902 401211.

Lowings is back on home patch

KIM Lowings from Stourbridge has, with *The Greenwood* which is made up of Andrew Lowings, Tim Rogers and Dave Sutherland, established herself as a respected musician on the folk circuit with her strong and crystal clear singing.

She also plays a mean Appalachian dulcimer.

The band will be on their home patch on Friday January 30 when they play at The Woodman Folk Club which meets at the Marina, Kingswinford.

Tickets are £6 for members and £1 more for non-members.

The show starts at 8.30pm.

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COMMERCIAL FEATURE

Need help finding and accessing a local family service?

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CHOICE



Ted Danson

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (Channel 5, 10pm) Medical marijuana dispensary owner Lloyd Bryant's phone suddenly rings and he is played a video of his wife and children, bound and gagged. Following instructions via text message, he puts money into a duffle bag and hands it to a nervous-looking customer, who raises the suspicion of the store's security guard, and is shot dead. DB and the team learn that the jittery woman was a cancer patient named Allison Ball, who recently received a video of her brother Stuart, who had also been abducted. Crime drama, starring Ted Danson, Elisabeth Shue, George Eads, Jorja Fox, Eric Szmanda, Robert David Hall, Wallace Langham, Marc Vann, David Berman and Richard Speight Jr.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** James Martin: Home Comforts. **12.00** BBC News: Weather. **12.10** Football Focus. **12.50** Saturday Sportsday. **1.00** Bargain Hunt. (R) **2.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.00** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **4.00** Final Score. **5.20** Pointless Celebrities. (R) **6.10** BBC News: Regional News; Weather. **6.30** **Now You See It.** The best and worst of the magic world, featuring a man who disguises himself as an armchair and strange happenings in a chip shop, as well as a few tricks going wrong. **7.00** **The Voice UK.** The competition forges ahead with the fourth round of the blind auditions and the continuing campaigns by coaches Tom Jones, William, Ricky Wilson and Rita Ora to build a 12-strong team. As ever, the fun starts whenever more than one coach wants the same singer and argue why they would make the best mentor. **8.30** **The National Lottery: Win Your Wish List.** Shane Richie hosts the game show in which two contestants pick a selection of dream prizes to make up their personal wish lists, all of which have a connection to their shared history together. They then face categories of questions in an attempt to win their chosen items. **9.20** **Casualty.** A single father and his two teenage children are brought in after a car crash, but the dad only seems concerned about his daughter, leaving his son feeling neglected. Big Mac's money worries lead him to a pawn shop – where he encounters a window cleaner who appears to have been stabbed – and a man is admitted with abdominal pain, although the doctors become suspicious when they can find nothing wrong with the patient. A determined Connie throws herself into work after losing Grace. Tess returns to the department and Honey is surprised when Ethan gives her the cold shoulder – especially after they had been getting so close. **10.10** BBC News: Weather. **10.30** **Match of the Day:** National Lottery Update. **12.00** The Football League Show. **1.20** Film: Stark Raving Mad. (2.00) **2.55** Weather for the Week Ahead. **3.00** BBC News.

BBC2

6.45 Film: Bitter Victory. (1957) **8.25** Live Tennis: Australian Open Women's Final. **11.30** Animal Park. (R) **12.00** James Martin: Home Comforts. (R) **12.45** Hollywood Greats. (R) **1.25** Film: Lust for Life. (1956) Biopic of Van Gogh, starring Kirk Douglas. **3.25** Film: Hidalgo. (2004) Period adventure, with Viggo Mortensen. **5.30** The Great British Sewing Bee – Class of 2014. (R) **6.30** **Flog It!** Experts Kate Bateman and David Barby search for antiques that can be sold for a profit in Colchester, Essex, where finds include boxes of old toy cars and an art deco item. Presenter Paul Martin tracks down the last remaining practitioner of an ancient craft that once lifted people out of poverty. **7.30** **Attenborough's Paradise Birds.** Among David Attenborough's life-long passions are birds of paradise, which he has tracked all over the jungles of New Guinea to film their beautiful and often bizarre displays. In this documentary, he examines how and why these creatures have captivated explorers, naturalists, artists, film-makers and even royalty, investigating the myths surrounding their discovery 500 years ago, the latest extraordinary behaviour captured on camera and the science behind their beauty. (R) **8.30** **Dad's Army.** The platoon takes part in an exercise with the regular army and everything goes well – until Mainwaring assumes the role of an enemy agent on the run. (R) **9.00** **QI.** Quiz with a difference, in which the questions are so difficult points are awarded for the answers host Stephen Fry finds most interesting. **9.30** **The Secret World of Lewis Carroll.** Martha Kearney explores the life and work of the author of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, and examines what lies behind the book's enduring appeal to adults and children alike. **10.30** Film: **Ginger & Rosa.** (2012) Premiere. Drama, starring Elle Fanning and Alice Englert. **11.55** Film: **The Tempest.** (2010) A sorceress plans revenge on her brother for sending her into exile when a storm strands him on her island home. Shakespearean fantasy, starring Helen Mirren. **1.40** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Bottom Knockor Street. **6.10** Bottom Knockor Street. (R) **6.20** Bottom Knockor Street. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan. (R) **6.45** Dino Dan. (R) **7.00** Animals. (R) **7.10** Sooty. (R) **7.25** Signed Stories: Share a Story. (R) **7.30** Scrambled!: Scrambled! **7.35** Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.50** Scrambled!: Adventure Time. **8.30** Scrambled!: Horrid Henry. (R) **8.50** Scrambled!: Hulk and the Agents of Smash. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **12.30** ITV News; Weather. **12.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **1.40** The Undrivableables. (R) **2.10** Who's Doing the Dishes? (R) **3.10** Doc Martin. (R) **4.10** Big Star's Little Star. (R) **5.10** Regional Programme : Weather **5.20** ITV News; Weather. **5.30** You've Been Framed! A-Z of Animals. (R) **6.30** **Harry Hill's Stars in Their Eyes.** A sales assistant, a senior manager of a tanning salon chain, a children's singing tutor, a mother and a student impersonate famous singers as they vie for a place in the final. **7.30** **Planet's Got Talent.** Featuring a group of flexible Chinese men, a six-year-old dancer, a cowboy with impressive rope skills and a contestant who extinguishes candles by squirting water from his eyes. **8.05** **Take Me Out.** Dancer Rob from London, barman Ryan from Leicester, security guard Karl from Dublin and busker Jamie from Kent vie for the attentions of 30 single women, intent on capturing their interest and securing a date. However, first they must get the female participants to keep their lights on as a sign of approval. Host Paddy McGuinness monitors their progress and reviews the dating action from last week's couples on the Isle of Fernandos. **9.20** **The Jonathan Ross Show.** The host is joined by Great British Bake Off presenters Mel Giedroyc and Sue Perkins, veteran actress Diana Rigg and Benidorm star Johnny Vegas. **10.25** ITV News: Weather. **10.35** Film: **The Shawshank Redemption.** (1994) A banker wrongly jailed for his wife's murder forms an extraordinary friendship with a fellow inmate over the course of their sentences. Drama, with Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. **1.10** Jackpot247. **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. (R) **3.10** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.00 Trans World Sport. **7.00** Killarney Adventure Race. **7.25** Iera Expedition Race. **7.55** The Morning Line. **9.00** The King of Queens. (R) **9.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **10.30** Frasier. (R) **11.00** Frasier. (R) **11.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** Speed with Guy Martin. (R) **1.30** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Sandown Park. Fios Las and Wetherby. **4.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **5.30** The Simpsons. (R) **6.00** **The Simpsons.** Bart tracks down a former student after Groundskeeper Willie reveals that he pulled off the "ultimate prank", and Marge starts shopping at a natural foods store. (R) **6.30** **Channel 4 News.** **7.00** **The Restoration Man.** After living in a bungalow for 25 years, Yorkshire couple Carol and Majid Nadry embark on an ambitious midlife adventure – buying a water tower to turn into a five-storey home. As they battle with the huge rusting tank on top of the building, they encounter devastating legal problems, and unexpected costs hit their budget. However, the pair refuse to give up on their mission to create a one-off design, and architect George Clarke encourages them to see their daunting challenge through, while detailing the seismic changes in architectural history that this structure's humble appearance conceals. (R) **8.00** **The World's Weirdest Weather.** New series. Bizarre climatic conditions, including a vast cave system with its own weather, plus glow-in-the-dark waves, an upside-down rainbow and "spider lightning". **9.00** **Film: Ted.** (2012) Premiere. A lonely boy makes a wish at Christmas that his teddy bear will come to life, which is magically granted. The boy grows up to become a directionless slacker, with the foul-mouthed living toy still his inseparable friend – but his girlfriend thinks it is time for him to grow up. Comedy, starring Mark Wahlberg and Mila Kunis. **11.10** Film: **Your Highness.** (2011) Fantasy comedy, with Danny McBride. **1.05** The Last Leg. (R) **2.00** Film: Prizzi's Honor. (1985) **4.10** Hollyoaks. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** SpongeBob SquarePants. **10.35** Access. **10.45** Ice Road Truckers. (R) **11.45** Ice Road Truckers. (R) **12.40** Ice Road Truckers. (R) **2.40** Film: Columbo: A Friend in Deed. (1974) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. **4.35** Film: Columbo: A Deadly State of Mind. (1975) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. **6.10** **NCIS.** A commander who knows the location of a shipment of nuclear fuel rods is abducted, and the team is called in to try to identify the kidnapper. Guest starring Zac Efron. (R) **7.00** **NCIS.** The wives of two marines are murdered, and although Gibbs initially suspects they were victims of domestic violence, subsequent developments suggest the case may involve professional killers who already have their next victim in mind. Drama, starring Mark Harmon and Cote de Pablo. (R) **7.55** **NCIS.** The team suspects a desperate marine may have faked his own death with the help of a friend and blown up an ambulance in a botched attempt to cover all traces of the subterfuge. (R) **8.50** **5 News Weekend.** **9.00** **Celebrity Big Brother.** Catching up with the celebrities as they react to Friday night's eviction, revealing how the departure has affected the remaining contestants – and whether the outcome of the public vote has anyone else fearing for their place in the competition. **10.00** **CSI: Crime Scene Investigation.** The family of the owner of a medical marijuana dispensary are held hostage, but the investigation is made harder when a potential witness is killed by a security guard. **10.55** **Law & Order.** Lupo and Green embark on their first official case together – investigating a kidnapping that involved the murder of a housekeeper and occurred during a city-wide blackout. **11.50** **Criminals: Caught on Camera.** Nick Walls discovers how CCTV and technological advances are helping to tackle criminals exhibiting a complete disregard for the safety of others while at the wheel of a vehicle. (R) **12.15** SuperCasino. **3.10** Celebrity Big Brother. (R) **4.00** House Doctor. (R) **4.25** Make It Big. (R) **5.15** Angels of Jarrn. (R) **5.40** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three **7.00** Great Movie Mistakes V: Revenge of the Fifth. **8.00** Top Gear. **9.00** Film: Blades of Glory (2007) **10.30** Russell Howard's Good News **11.00** Family Guy **2.00** Crims **2.30** South Side Story **3.00** Life Is Toft **4.00** Close **BBC Four** **7.00** The First World War from Above **8.00** Bright Lights, Brilliant Minds: A Tale of Three Cities **8.00** Spiral **10.50** Charlie Brooker's Weekly Wipe **11.20** Pop Charts Britannia: 60 Years of the Top 10 **12.50** Top of the Pops: 1980 **1.40** Play It Loud: The Story of the Marshall Amp **2.40** Bright Lights, Brilliant Minds: A Tale of Three Cities **3.40** Close **ITV2** **11.40** Megan Trainor: The Hot Desk **11.50** The Cube: Celebrity Special **12.55** Film: Homebound Bound It: Lost in San Francisco (1996) **2.40** Film: Honey (2003) **4.35** Film: E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial (1982) **6.50** Film: The Mummy Returns (2001) **9.20** Take Me Out – The Gossip **10.05** Film: Keith Lemon: The Film (2012) **11.55** Celebrity Juice: The Special Special **12.55** Fake Reaction **1.35** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.25** Life's Funniest Moments **2.45** McBusted: The Hot Desk **2.55** Teleshopping **5.55** ITV2 Nightscreen **ITV3** **12.00** A Touch of Frost **2.00** Wycliffe **3.05** Film: George and Mildred: The Movie (1980) **5.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **7.00** Doc Martin **8.00** Foyle's War **10.00** Lewis **12.05** A Touch of Frost **1.55** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping **ITV4** **11.40** World Rally Championship Highlights **12.45** Darts: The Masters Live **5.00** Storage Wars **6.00** Storage Wars: Texas **6.55** UEFA Champions League Hat-Trick Heroes **7.00** Darts: The Masters Live **11.00** Africa Cup of Nations Highlights **12.00** Film: The Quest (1996) **2.00** Hell on Wheels **2.50** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping **54** **11.00** 2 Broke Girls **11.30** New Girl **12.30** Melissa & Joey **1.30** How I Met Your Mother **2.30** Bad(ish) Robots **3.30** Rude(ish) Tube **4.30** Troy **5.35** The 100 **6.35** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** Film: Terminator Salvation (2009) **11.15** The Inbetweeners **12.20** 2 Broke Girls **12.55** New Girl **1.25** How I Met Your Mother **2.20** Don't Trust the B**** in Apartment 23 **3.05** Suburgatory **3.50** Charmed **4.35** Bad(ish) Robots **5.00** Rude(ish) Tube **Film4** **11.00** The Mistress of Spices (2005) **1.00** The Simpsons Movie (2007) **2.55** The Longest Day (1962) **6.30** Stardust (2007) **9.00** The American (2010) **11.05** Underworld: Rise of the Lycans (2009) **12.50** 30 Days of Night (2007) **3.15** Close

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CHOICE



Davina McCall

The Jump (Channel 4, 7pm)
New series. Return of the celebrity-packed winter-sport competition, presented by Davina McCall. Former Pussycat Doll Ashley Roberts, Jackass daredevil Steve-O, model Jodie Kidd, Made in Chelsea star Louise Thompson, ex-England rugby captain Mike Tindall, philanthropist Heather Mills, socialite Victoria Hervey, former JLS member JB Gill, singer-presenter Stacey Solomon, Paralympic cyclist Jon-Allan Butterworth, Richard and Judy's daughter Chloe Madeley, dancer Louie Spence, Gogglebox favourite Dom Parker, heptathlete Louise Hazel, A Question of Sport team captain Phil Tufnell and reality TV's Joey Essex are the 16 familiar faces flying to the Austrian Alps for this year's contest.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. 7.30 Match of the Day. (R) **9.00 The Andrew Marr Show.** **10.00 The Big Questions.** **11.00 Sunday Politics.** **12.15 MOTD2 Extra.** With Mark Chapman and the Match of the Day team. **1.00 BBC News; Weather.** **1.15 Bargain Hunt.** (R) **2.15 Escape to the Country.** (R) **3.00 Eat Well for Less?** (R) **4.00 Your Home in Their Hands.** **5.00 Songs of Praise.** **5.35 BBC News; Regional News.** **6.00 Animals in Love.** Liz Bonnin presents the first of two programmes exploring animal relationships, finding out how they meet, mate and form relationships, and asking whether they can fall in love the same as humans. On her travels, she finds several animals that have discovered the secrets of successful long-lasting relationship, including the bonobo of the Congo, Africa's wild dogs and tamarins in the UK. But there are other sides to the story, like the devoted penguin couple that stayed together for 10 years, only for things to turn out not quite as they seemed. Liz also hears how a Siamese gibbon dealt with the death of his life partner and meets a pair of elephants with an extraordinary friendship. **7.00 Countryfile.** A visit to West Yorkshire, featuring a trail of stones with a poetic theme, a volunteer-run farm and the story of an 18th-century counterfeit scam. **8.00 Call the Midwife.** A mum-to-be is distraught when her husband is arrested for gross indecency in the gents, while a pregnant Irish woman in need of nourishment goes missing. **9.00 Last Tango in Halifax.** Gillian's wedding day arrives, but the bride is suffering a serious case of cold feet, leaving Caroline to get to the bottom of her step-sister's reluctance. Last in the series. **10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.** **10.30 Match of the Day 2.** Arsenal v Aston Villa and Southampton v Swansea City. Mark Chapman reviews the latest Premier League matches at the Emirates Stadium and St Mary's Stadium respectively. **11.30 The Apprentice USA.** **12.50 Weather for the Week Ahead.** **12.55 BBC News.**

BBC2

6.00 The Football League Show. (R) **7.20 Countryfile.** (R) **8.15 Live Tennis: Australian Open Men's Final.** **12.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bits.** (R) **1.30 James Martin: Home Comforts.** (R) **2.00 Food & Drink.** (R) **2.30 Joan Fontaine: Talking Pictures.** (R) **3.00 Film: Ivanhoe.** (1952) Medieval adventure, starring Robert Taylor. **4.45 Flog It! Trade Secrets.** **5.15 Ski Sunday.** **6.00 The Coffee Trail with Simon Reeve.** In the second of two This World documentaries examining the stories behind the nation's favourite beverages, adventurer and broadcaster Simon Reeve looks at the production of coffee. He heads to Vietnam, which is the UK's biggest supplier, and travels to the remote central highlands where he meets some of the millions who grow, pick and pack the beans for instant coffee brands. (R) **7.00 The Motorway: Life in the Fast Lane.** Documentary series following one of the busiest stretches of motorway in Britain, where the M6 joins up with four other major routes. The men and women working behind the scenes spend their lives helping travellers get from A to B as safely and as quickly as possible in an area that often sees up to 8,000 vehicles an hour. Repairs to the road are one of the main problems to overcome, and the source of various disputes with residents – as locals Jim and Alan reveal. (R) **8.00 Top Gear.** Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May go on a road trip across Australia's Northern Territory in GT cars. **9.00 Dragons' Den.** A mother and daughter pitch waterproof products for children, while a trio of breakdancers introduce the Dragons to some innovative earphones. Evan Davis presents. **10.00 Film: True Grit.** (2010) A farm girl recruits a hard-drinking, one-eyed marshal to help her track down the man who killed her father. The Coen brothers' Western, with Jeff Bridges and Hailee Steinfeld. **11.45 Film: New Jack City.** (1991) Two maverick cops set out to topple a drugs baron who has transformed an apartment block into a seemingly impenetrable fortress. Action thriller, with Wesley Snipes. **1.20 Sign Zone: Countryfile.** (R) **2.15 Holby City.** (R) **3.15 This Is BBC Two.**

ITV

6.00 CITV: Bottom Knockers Street. **6.10 Bottom Knockers Street.** (R) **6.20 Bottom Knockers Street.** (R) **6.35 Dino Dan.** (R) **6.45 Dino Dan.** (R) **7.00 Animals.** (R) **7.10 Sooty.** (R) **7.25 Signed Stories: Share a Story.** (R) **7.30 Scrambled!: Scrambled!** **7.35 Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters.** (R) **7.50 Scrambled!: Ultimate Spider-Man.** **8.30 Scrambled!: Horrid Henry.** (R) **8.50 Scrambled!: Deadline Stories.** (R) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.** (R) **10.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.** (R) **11.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show.** (R) **12.30 ITV News; Weather.** **12.40 Harry Hill's Stars in Their Eyes.** (R) **1.40 Off Their Rockers.** (R) **2.10 Mel & Sue's Best Bits.** **3.15 Tipping Point.** (R) **4.15 Film: The Spy Who Loved Me.** (1977) James Bond spy adventure, starring Roger Moore. **6.35 Regional Programme; Weather.** **6.45 ITV News; Weather.** **7.00 Get Your Act Together.** Actor James Bolam is mentored by singer Michael Ball. A Question of Sport captain Phil Tufnell teams up with acrobatic basketball freestylers Face Team, model Amy Willerton is coached by the Veslovskis from Moscow State Circus, Emmerdale's Matthew Wolfenden and Natalie Anderson join Keelan Leyser's Quick Change Artists, and actress Chelsea Healey collaborates with aerial dance duo Starfiz. **8.15 All Star Family Fortunes.** TV presenter Helen Skelton and Irish crooner Daniel O'Donnell team up with their families in an attempt to win a jackpot of £30,000 for charity. Vernon Kay hosts. **9.00 Mr Selfridge.** Harry pursues a new charitable project, Crabb faces a professional dilemma, a major fashion event proves a challenge for the staff and Miss Maudie decides to make a fresh start. **10.00 ITV News; Weather.** **10.15 Perspectives – The Man in the Hat: Rene Magritte with Will Young.** A fan of Magritte since the age of 15, singer and actor Will Young travels to the surrealist artist's native Belgium to explore his life, work and legacy. (R) **11.15 LV= Cup Rugby Union.** Highlights of the latest pool matches, which included Harlequins v Bath, Gloucester v Ospreys and Wasps v Cardiff Blues. **12.10 The Store.** **2.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA.** (R) **3.15 ITV Nightscreen.** **5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show.**

CHANNEL 4

6.20 NFL: Rush Zone. **6.45 How I Met Your Mother.** (R) **7.10 How I Met Your Mother.** (R) **7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond.** (R) **8.30 Frasier.** (R) **9.00 Frasier.** (R) **9.30 Sunday Brunch.** **12.30 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast.** (R) **1.30 The Big Bang Theory.** (R) **2.00 The Simpsons.** (R) **2.30 The Simpsons.** (R) **3.00 Film: Penelope.** (2006) Romantic fantasy, starring Christina Ricci. **4.50 Channel 4 News.** **5.20 Film: Mr Popper's Penguins.** (2011) Family comedy, starring Jim Carrey. **7.00 The Jump.** New series. Return of the celebrity-packed winter-sport competition, presented by Davina McCall. Former Pussycat Doll Ashley Roberts, Jackass daredevil Steve-O, model Jodie Kidd, Made in Chelsea star Louise Thompson, ex-England rugby captain Mike Tindall, philanthropist Heather Mills, socialite Victoria Hervey, former JLS member JB Gill, singer-presenter Stacey Solomon, Paralympic cyclist Jon-Allan Butterworth, Richard and Judy's daughter Chloe Madeley, dancer Louie Spence, Gogglebox favourite Dom Parker, heptathlete Louise Hazel, A Question of Sport team captain Phil Tufnell and reality TV's Joey Essex are the 16 familiar faces flying to the Austrian Alps for this year's contest. **8.00 The Hotel.** Mark plans a big wrestling event for the Cavendish, hoping that success could turn the hotel into a centre for the sport, while Mike organises a 1970s night. **9.00 Our Guy in India.** Part one of two. Guy Martin takes a 1,000-mile journey across India to compete in a race called Rider Mania, the world's largest gathering of Royal Enfield motorbikes. Along the way, the daredevil rides with a 50-strong biker gang, visits Asia's biggest truck yard and clammers 833ft to the top of India's tallest building, the Imperial skyscraper in Mumbai. Although he's used to living life to the extreme, Guy finds himself completely out of his comfort zone, from sleeping rough among rats, to experiencing the torrential rain of a monsoon. **10.05 The Simpsons.** (R) **10.30 The Super Bowl: American Football Live.** **3.30 SuperScrippers.** (R) **3.40 Kirstie's Best of Both Worlds.** (R) **4.35 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away.** (R) **5.30 Face the Clock.** (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05 Roary the Racing Car.** (R) **6.15 Angelina Ballerina.** (R) **6.30 Pip Ahoy!** (R) **6.40 The Mr Men Show.** (R) **6.55 Chloe's Closet.** **7.05 Pip Ahoy!** (R) **7.15 Oily the Little White Van.** (R) **7.20 Bananas in Pyjamas.** (R) **7.35 Make Way for Noddy.** (R) **7.45 Paw Patrol.** (R) **8.00 Little Princess.** (R) **8.15 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky.** (R) **8.25 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures.** (R) **8.30 Wanda and the Alien.** **8.45 Zack and Quack.** (R) **9.00 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom.** (R) **9.15 Jelly Jamm.** (R) **9.30 LazyTown.** (R) **10.00 SpongeBob SquarePants.** **10.35 Access.** (R) **10.40 Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge.** (R) **11.40 Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge.** (R) **12.35 Robson's Extreme Fishing Challenge.** (R) **1.35 Film: A Little Princess.** (1995) Family drama, with Liesel Matthews. **3.25 Film: Hoodwinked.** (2005) Animated comedy, with the voice of Anne Hathaway. **4.55 Film: Made of Honor.** (2008) Romantic comedy, starring Patrick Dempsey and Michelle Monaghan. **6.50 Film: Hellboy II: The Golden Army.** (2008) The demon superhero, aided by a team from the Bureau of Paranormal Research and Defence, leads the fight against renegade elf Prince Nuada who is intent on reawakening an unstoppable robot army and bringing about the demise of mankind. Action fantasy sequel directed by Guillermo del Toro, starring Ron Perlman, Selma Blair, Doug Jones and Luke Goss. Edited for language and violence. **8.55 5 News Weekend.** **9.00 Celebrity Big Brother.** The remaining housemates embark on their final week, knowing only one of them can be crowned Celebrity Big Brother winner on Friday night. This has certainly been one of the most tense houses in recent history – can it possibly get any worse as the celebrities begin to eye up the prize? **10.00 Film: Justice.** (2011) A man is approached by vigilantes after his wife is attacked, but learns the price for their help is that he must kill someone. Thriller, with Nicolas Cage and January Jones. **12.00 Britain's Flashiest Families.** (R) **1.00 SuperCasino.** **3.10 Storage:** Flog the Loft (R) **4.00 House Doctor.** (R) **4.25 Make It Big.** (R) **5.15 Angels of Jarm.** (R) **5.40 Roary the Racing Car.** (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 Great TV Mistakes 7.30 The Voice UK **9.00 Backchat with Jack Whitehall and His Dad** **9.30 Russell Howard's Good News** **10.00 Family Guy 10.50 Crims** **11.20 Family Guy** **12.05 Backchat with Jack Whitehall and His Dad** **12.35 South Side Story** **1.05 Bangkok Airport** **2.00 Life Is Tort** **3.00 Bangkok Airport** **4.00 Close**
BBC Four
7.00 Shosh: Second Era **11.40 Sound of Song** **12.40 Kraftwerk: Pop Art** **1.40 Synth Britannia** **3.10 Sounds of the 70s 2** **Troubadours – Peaceful Easy Feeling** **3.40 Close**
ITV2
11.55 Take Me Out **1.10 Take Me Out – The Gossip** **1.55 You've Been Framed!** **2.25 Scorpion** **3.15 Film: Stormbreaker** (2006) **5.05 Film: Despicable Me** (2010) **6.55 Film: Legally Blonde 2: Red, White and Blonde** (2003) **9.00 Film: The Matrix** (1999) **11.40 Tricked: More Favourite Tricks** **12.40 Fake Reaction** **1.20 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records** **2.10 Teleshopping** **5.40 ITV2 Nightscreen**
ITV3
11.35 Sherlock Holmes: The Last Vampyre **1.45 Agatha Christie's Marple** **3.45 Rosemary & Thyme** **4.45 Inspector Morse** **7.00 Lewis** **8.00 The Best of the Royal Variety** **10.00 Northern Lights** **11.05 Film: Pride and Prejudice** (2005) **1.40 Countrywise Kitchen** **2.30 Judge Judy** **3.10 ITV3 Nightscreen** **4.40 Emmerdale**
ITV4
12.45 Darts: The Masters Live. Coverage of the quarter-finals. **5.00 Africa Cup of Nations Highlights** **6.00 Counting Cars** **7.00 Darts: The Masters Live** **11.05 Africa Cup of Nations Highlights** **12.00 Film: Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas** (1998) **2.20 Nitro Circus** **2.45 ITV4 Nightscreen** **3.00 Teleshopping**
E4
12.30 Revenge **1.30 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** **2.30 The 100** **3.30 Melissa & Joey** **4.30 The Big Bang Theory** **5.30 Brooklyn Nine-Nine** **6.00 Marry Me** **6.30 The Big Bang Theory** **8.00 Film: Dribble Taylor** (2008) **10.05 The Big Bang Theory** **10.35 The Inbetweeners** **11.40 The Cleveland Show** **1.10 Rules of Engagement** **2.10 Suburgatory** **2.55 One Tree Hill** **3.35 Holyoaks**
Film4
11.00 An Elephant Called Slowly (1970) **1.00 Letters to Juliet** (2010) **3.05 The Wizard of Oz** (1939) **5.10 The Death and Life of Charlie St Cloud** (2010) **7.10 (500) Days of Summer** (2009) **9.00 Immortals** (2011) **11.10 Nosferatu the Vampyre** (1979) **1.20 The Yards** (2000) **3.45 Close**

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MONDAY
Angels Fall, Channel 5, 3.15pm
A chef who was the only survivor of a massacre tries to make a fresh start working at a diner in a remote rural town. She witnesses a murder in the wilderness and reports it to the police, but when a body is not found, the locals begin to suspect her traumatic experience has driven her mad. Drama based on Nora Roberts' novel, starring Heather Locklear. (2007)

TUESDAY
Carry On Jack, ITV, 11.10pm
A bumbling midshipman's uniform is stolen by a woman desperate to go to sea, who adopts his identity. Later, the hapless sailor is press-ganged on to the same ship as her. However, while trying to prove who he really is, he has to contend with mutinies, pirates and the Spanish Navy. Comedy, with Bernard Cribbins, Juliet Mills, Kenneth Williams and Charles Hawtrey. (1963)



Things We Lost in the Fire, Friday, BBC2, 11.05pm

WEDNESDAY
Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil, BBC1, 11.45pm
An antiques dealer in a Deep South town kills his gay lover after a lavish Christmas gathering, claiming his actions were in self-defence. A journalist sent to write a feature on the party stays in town to cover the trial, and delves into the secretive local underworld to discover what really happened that night. Fact-based drama directed by Clint Eastwood, starring John Cusack, Kevin Spacey and Jude Law. (1997)

THURSDAY
Seduced by Lies, Channel 5, 3.15pm
A woman hopes to make a fresh start with a new relationship in defiance of her father's wishes, and turns her back on old friends when they are suspicious of her boyfriend. However, she gradually comes to realise that he has a shady past and is not as perfect as he appears. Thriller, starring Josie Davis. (2010)

FRIDAY
Things We Lost in the Fire, BBC2, 11.05pm
Devoted family man Brian tries to support his heroin-addicted friend Jerry, who has lost everything through his drug habit. When Brian is unexpectedly killed, his devastated widow Audrey invites Jerry to live with her and her children, and helps him to turn his life around. Drama, starring Halle Berry, Benicio Del Toro and David Duchovny. (2007)

Paul's not hanging around in this series

Paul O'Grady's not afraid to admit he's a big old softie – well, we see it in every episode of his For the Love of Dogs series, in which he manages to turn even the hardest of us to mush.

While this is something slightly different, it still has that 'aw factor' and the ever-giving Paul can be content in the knowledge that he's still doing his bit for the animal kingdom.

Yes, this series had 'Paul O'Grady' written all over it, so it was little surprise when it aired for the first time last year that he was brought on board to present.

Paul has the best of both worlds as far as his career is concerned now, combining his love for animals in this series and For the Love of Dogs with the glitz and glamour of talking to celebrities on his live chat shows.

He explained to TV Choice: "I think I blend the two, although I'm sort of known now for animals. I used to drop hints on my tea time chat show when I'd have an owl on

my head, a chicken on the desk and a dog under my arm. I was basically saying, 'Please hire me for an animal show because it's something I'd really like to do.'"

In Animal Orphans, he's been meeting animals that have been orphaned in the wild in South Africa and Zambia. Our host learns that many of these – lions, cheetahs, hippos, elephants, baboons, and rhinos, among others – are in fact orphaned because of humans; either because their parents have been poached and killed, or their natural habitat has been destroyed.

And while it's been a pleasure, this touching series wraps up tonight, with Paul visiting Bambelela, a rehabilitation centre for orphaned vet monkeys.

Cameras follow Paul as he cares for 10-month old Toledo, playing with him, feeding and trying to get him to settle at night – which isn't the easiest of tasks.

The presenter is also on hand to help test a troop of older monkeys to see if they're ready for life in the

wild. An important thing to ensure is that they've understood and learned the calls and behaviours needed to escape predators – so it's time to bring out the rubber snakes, an eagle kite and a toy leopard.

Paul also visits Moholoholo Rehab Centre again, and discovers what it's like to be a volunteer with daily walks through the bush, cleaning the enclosures, and looking after the smelliest animal at the centre – the honey badger. Paul hits it off with five-month-old Julius, whose mum was hit by a car – but the badger takes quite a shine to the presenter and scent marks him several times.

Paul exclaims: "I feel like I've been trapped in a lift with 18 people who suffer from the worst BO in the world."

Plus, Paul revisits Olive the rhino, who he met in episode one, and chats with an anti-poaching activist, and before leaving Africa, he meets two giraffes and helps a velvet monkey find a new troop.



Paul O'Grady's Animal Orphans, Tuesday, ITV, 9pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY
Broadchurch
ITV, 9pm
Reviews for the second series of Chris Chibnall's landmark drama series may not have been quite as uniformly enthusiastic as for the first, but we still reckon it's one of the most compelling shows on telly. One of the reasons why it works so well is that all the characters have flaws – a fact which makes them both believable and relatable. Even hard-nosed defence barrister Sharon Bishop has her sympathetic moments – although not so many that you feel too sorry for her in the courtroom. Mind you, someone must sympathise, as this week she receives some help from a very unexpected source indeed. Meanwhile, as Hardy and Ellie continue their unofficial investigation into the Sandbrook case, some new information comes to light which calls into question everything which they thought they knew about the events. Surely Hardy can't have been barking up the wrong tree all this time? Mind you, it wouldn't be the first time Broadchurch has left us reeling.

TUESDAY
Inside the Commons
BBC2, 9pm
New series. Michael Cockerell presents a documentary filmed over the course of a year in

the House of Commons, giving an insight into the day-to-day life and work of everyone from the Prime Minister to those who maintain the building. Cameras follow relatively new MPs Charlotte Leslie and Sarah Champion as they learn the ways of the House, while David Cameron and his opposite number Ed Miliband reveal what happens at Prime Minister's Questions. The programme also meets a gospel-singing tea lady who works in the members' tea room and joins a maintenance team abseiling down the face of the clock tower.

WEDNESDAY
Midsomer Murders
ITV, 8pm
When a pub landlady is crushed to death by a giant box during a magic show organised by famous illusionist Gideon Latimer, pathologist Kate discovers the cables had been deliberately sabotaged. Evangelising curate Andrew Maplin claims the tragedy is God's vengeance for the pagan traditions still held deep in Midsomer Oaks, but Barnaby and Nelson fear Gideon was the real target. Neil Dudgeon, Gwilym Lee and Tamzin Malletson star in the

murder mystery, with Joe Absolom, Andrew-Lee Potts, Justin Salinger, Amanda Burton and Stephanie Leonidas.

THURSDAY
The Great British Sewing Bee
BBC2, 8pm

Needles at the ready, Claudia Winkelman is back for a new series that gives 10 home sewers the chance to prove that they are among the best in Britain. As you'd expect, they're an eclectic bunch, ranging from retired air hostess Lorna, who has always made her own clothes because at 6ft tall she struggles to find anything to fit her in the shops, to Neil, an army Lieutenant Colonel who began sewing at school in protest at the girls being allowed to join the football team. But no matter what their backgrounds or how much experience they might have, they will all be feeling

The Great British Sewing Bee, Thursday, BBC2, 8pm

nervous as they prepare to be judged by Savile Row's Patrick Grant and the WI's May Martin for the first time. For the opening episode, the theme is cotton as the stitchers are asked to make a pair of women's trousers, give a new lease of life to a denim shirt, and then whip up a summer dress for their real-life model.

FRIDAY
Live Six Nations Rugby Union
BBC1, 7.30pm
Wales v England (Kick-off 8.05pm). John Inverdale introduces coverage of the opening match of this year's championship, which takes place at the Millennium Stadium. The tournament seems difficult to predict this time around, with Ireland joining these two nations as the favourites, but given the number of injuries suffered by England in recent weeks, the Welsh will expect to make the most of home advantage and start with a victory. While this is always a keenly contested encounter, there is even greater importance attached to it this evening, with the sides looking for a psychological boost ahead of their meeting in the pool stage of this year's World Cup in September. With commentary by Eddie Butler, Brian Moore and Martyn Williams, reports by Sonja McLaughlan, and analysis by Clive Woodward, Jonathan Davies and Jeremy Guscott.

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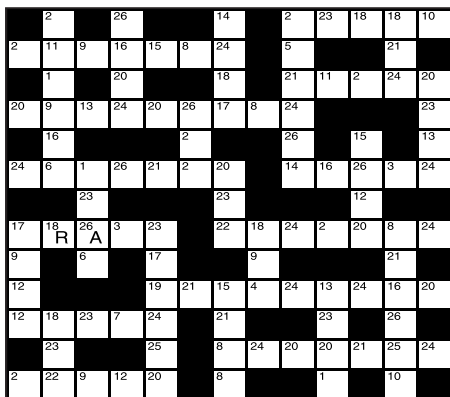
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

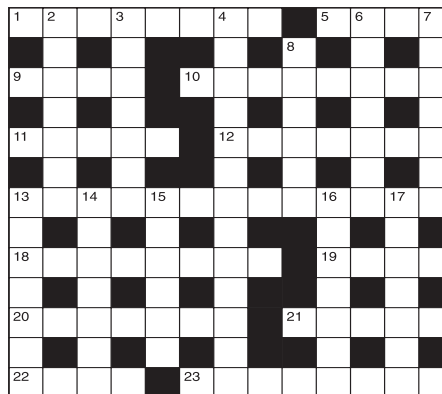
Cryptic Clues:

Across

- Their wares are brought into play (3-5)
- One unusually old object of veneration (4)
- This jumper will cause irritation (4)
- Where one puts the film secretly (2,6)
- In the oceans fifty marine creatures (5)
- Supervise a piece of poetry in Old English (7)
- The causes of gradual deflation in the sphere of transport (4,9)
- The skill is to attempt aesthetic achievement (8)
- Being in a true dilemma, was sorry afterwards (4)
- Describing one who is unfortunately spotted (7)
- Stone near a way in (5)
- 22 & 7Dn.** Surround the chiefs - those who instigate mischief (4-7)
- Hedge plant used for filling rough mattresses? (8)

Down

- Don't spare the lubricant that comes from here (3-4)
- Takes food down for the bird (7)
- This allows people to cross the water for two games (7-6)
- Furniture for the casualty nurse (7)
- See 22 Across
- As money, it's naturally a gift (6)
- Southern tent-dweller to run around briskly (7)
- A Turk likely to get sat on! (7)
- When it's put in mortar a powdery substance results (6)
- Erected properly - in the Perpendicular Style? (7)
- Choose an artist to be the daughter of Agamemnon (7)



Quick Clues:

Across

- Throw overboard (8)
- Staunch (4)
- Baton (4)
- Summing (8)
- Teacher (5)
- Take in (7)
- Stupidity (13)
- Counter-measure (8)
- Look for (4)
- Generous (7)
- Coach (5)
- Sharpen (4)
- Gather (8)

Down

- Deletion (7)
- Irksome (7)
- Foolish traditions (3,5,5)
- Offering (7)
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Sudoku

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Remote; 4 Spasms; 9 Instantaneous; 10 Ejected; 11 Lapse; 12 Staff; 14 Typed; 18 Emend; 19 Digests; 21 Cooling breeze; 22 Petite; 23 Corset. Down: 1 Railed; 2 Missed the post; 3 Toast; 5 Penalty; 6 Stop-press news; 7 Sister; 8 Study; 13 Faddist; 15 Tea-cup; 16 Adage; 17 Ascent; 20 Garbo. QUICK - Across: 1 Trance; 4 Reaped; 9 Replenishment; 10 Idiotic; 11 Needs; 12 Miner; 14 Merit; 18 Roast; 19 Outrage; 21 Scintillating; 22 Singer; 23 Plunge. Down: 1 Torpid; 2 Amplification; 3 Chest; 5 Enhance; 6 Premeditation; 7 Detest; 8 Wine; 13 Entitle; 15 Crisis; 16 Mould; 17 League; 20 Trail.

Quiz

- Which old British construction can be seen in Arizona's Lake Havasu City?
- In which city is the Kelvingrove Art Gallery?
- What type of creature is the frogmouth?
- What was the Giotto space probe built to study?
- Who won a directing Oscar for Cabaret?
- Which country's parliament is the Althing?
- Which Radio 4 presenter died in January 1994?
- What is the day after Halloween called?
- Who was the first boxer to win world titles at five officially-recognised weights?
- Who was JFK's campaign manager in 1960?

Last week's solutions:

Quiz: 1 Norman Tebbit; 2 Walnut; 3 Diane

Keaton; 4 Brewer's yeast; 5 The Samaritans;

6 UEFA Cup; 7 Fossils; 8 Kendo; 9 Jack

Slipper; 10 Illinois.

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Each number from 1 to 9 represents a different letter. Solve the clues and insert the letters in the appropriate squares to discover a word which uses all nine letters.

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958643 gives a bird,
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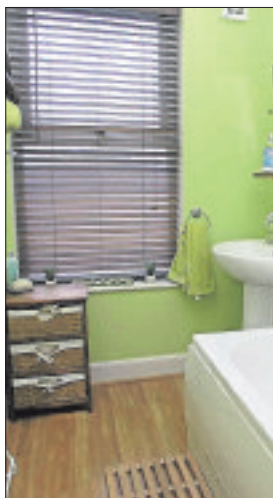
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Deceptively spacious house must be seen



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In Haden Hill Road, Halesowen, it is for sale through Taylors Estate Agents at £153,500.

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Call 0121 5503978 or visit the www.taylors-estateagents.co.uk website.



Three-bedroom family home on three stories



A three-storey modern semi-detached property in Victoria Park Road, Smethwick, is on the market with an asking price of £214,950.

The property includes Argon gas and A-rated double glazing. It is for sale through the agents Tom Giles & Co.

The home comprises a reception hall, WC, lounge with a coal effect gas fire, a dining area, kitchen with white faced units, granite effect working surfaces, a four ring halogen hob and electric oven, checker board ceramic tiled back-splash tiling and ceramic tiled flooring. There are also four first-floor bedrooms and a bathroom with a white suite and two second floor bedrooms and a shower room.

There is a garage and garden with a cobbled-style paved patio.

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STOURBRIDGE NEW SMALMAN CLOSE FOR SALE £107,500 Modern First Floor Flat comprising of: Entrance Hall, Lounge with open plan Kitchen, Two Bedrooms (Master with En suite Shower), Bathroom. Benefits include: Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Communal Grounds, Allocated Parking.	KINGSWINFORD NEW BACK ROAD FOR SALE £189,950 Modern Town House comprises of: Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen/Diner, Lounge & Bedroom One with En Suite, Two Further Bedrooms, Family Bathroom. Benefits from: Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Front & Rear Gardens, Garage.	KINGSWINFORD NEW COLDSTREAM DRIVE FOR SALE £169,950 Semi Detached House comprising of: Hall, Lounge, Separate Diner, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom. Benefits include: Part UPVC Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Front & Rear Gardens, Driveway, Gated Car Port, Garage with work area.	WALL HEATH NEW MILLERS GREEN DRIVE FOR SALE £299,995 Detached Property comprising of: Entrance Hall & WC, Lounge, IMPRESSIVE KITCHEN/DINER, FOUR BEDROOMS, en suite, Family Bathroom. Benefits include: Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Front & Rear Gardens, GARAGE.
WORDSLEY INGATESTONE DRIVE FOR SALE £134,500 Purpose Built Flat just off Cot Lane in Kingswinford. Comprises of: Communal entry, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen, Two Good Sized Bedrooms, Shower Room. Benefits include: Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Off Road Parking, Communal Grounds.	KINGSWINFORD GREENFIELDS ROAD FOR SALE £127,500 Semi Detached Property comprising of: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom. Benefits include: Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Large Frontage, Off Road Parking, Front & Rear Gardens.	AMBLECOTE KING WILLIAM STREET FOR SALE £155,000 Semi Detached Property with NO UPWARD CHAIN, having had a full refurbishment to include high quality kitchen and bathroom. Comprises of: Lounge, Fully Fitted Kitchen with Integrated Appliances, Conservatory, Two Bedrooms and Shower Room.	BRIERLEY HILL HENZEL CROFT FOR SALE £97,950 Modern Ground Floor Apartment close to local amenities and Merry Hill. Comprising of: Spacious Lounge 20' 10" x 9' 10", Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Wet Room. Benefits include: Electric Heating, Double Glazing, Front & Rear Gardens, Allocated Parking.
WORDSLEY NEW JOHN STREET £585 pcm* Mid Terrace House, Front Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Store, TWO GOOD BEDROOMS, Bathroom, Rear Garden, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, NO DSS, NO PETS.	KINGSWINFORD NEW SUMMER STREET £750 pcm* Semi-Detached House, Lounge/Diner, Dining Room, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom with shower, Off Road Parking, Front & Rear Gardens, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished.	KINGSWINFORD NEW RAGEES ROAD £350 pcm* Ground Floor Studio Flat, Lounge/Bedroom, Kitchen, Shower Room, Off Road Parking, Communal Gardens, Unfurnished.	AMBLECOTE NEW KING WILLIAM STREET £380 pcm* SHARED ACCOMMODATION, Part Furnished, Communal Kitchen & Bathroom, Two Bedrooms (occupied), FIRST FLOOR: Two Bedrooms, (one occupied), Office, Communal Toilet with wash hand basin, RENT INCLUDES UTILITY BILLS.
WOLLASTON NEW FRANCIS ROAD £620 pcm* Mid Terrace Property, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom with shower, Gas Central Heating, Drive to front, Rear Garden, Unfurnished.	WORDSLEY NEW RENFREW CLOSE £675 pcm* Semi-Detached House, Large Lounge, Good Sized Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom with shower, Parking for 1-2 Cars, Front & Rear Gardens, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished.	PENSNETT ELGAR CRESCENT £725 pcm* Detached House, Entrance Hall, Downstairs Cloakroom, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Utility, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom with shower, Garage, Off Road Parking, Gardens to Front & Rear, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, UNFURNISHED.	DUDLEY MINEHEAD ROAD £570 pcm* Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Front & Rear Gardens, Off Road Parking, Garage.
RUSSELLS HALL MERRYFIELD ROAD £550 pcm* Semi Detached Property, Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Room, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom with Shower, Double Glazing, Gas Central Heating, Unfurnished, Off Road Parking, Front & Rear Gardens.	LYE BANK STREET £525 pcm* Terrace Property, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Two Large Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Unfurnished, Rear Gardens.	DUDLEY MIDDLEPARK ROAD £575 pcm* Semi-Detached House, Refurbished and Re-decorate, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, New Kitchen with built in appliances, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gardens Front & Rear, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing.	NETHERTON NORWICH ROAD £525 pcm* Terrace Property, Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Bathroom, Three Bedrooms, Gas Central Heating, Unfurnished, Front & Rear Gardens, Off Road Parking.
KINGSWINFORD BEECH ROAD £450 pcm* Refurbished First Floor Flat, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Refitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing, Available Immediately.	NETHERTON CINDERBANK £200 pcm* Shop premises on main road position (kiosk style) £200 pcm Lease term negotiable Main Road Position.	BRIERLEY HILL DADFORD VIEW £395 pcm* Ground Floor Flat, Lounge/Kitchen, Bedroom, Bathroom with shower, Allocated Parking, Front Garden, Electric Heating, Double Glazing, UNFURNISHED.	DUDLEY ATTINGHAM DRIVE £350 pcm* First Floor Studio Apartment, Communal Entrance, Open Plan Kitchen, Lounge/Dining/Bedroom Area, Shower Room, Car Port, Communal Grounds, Double Glazing, Electric Heating.

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NEW
CRADLEY HEATH, High Robin Road
£780 pcm+ Fees
A recently built detached house which is ideal for work or as a home. This beautiful property features 4 bedrooms (master with en-suite), 2 reception rooms, fitted kitchen, downstairs w.c., cloakroom, bathroom with shower. Benefits include driveway parking, rear garden. This house will not last around long. EPC: C



HALESOWEN, Stourbridge Road
£760 pcm+ Fees
Well presented 2 bedroom Semi Detached house with large driveway for several cars in this very popular residential area. Entrance hall leading to large living room/dining area, fitted kitchen, large private rear garden with open fields at the top, 3 bedrooms, family bathroom, garage and driveway to front. EPC: E



NEW PRICE
AMBLESIDE, High Street
£725 pcm+ Fees
A historic opportunity to rent a new build home in a quiet development 'Crystal Gardens' features houses of 3 generous sized bedrooms (master with en-suite) finished to an exceptional standard. This home features a spacious lounge, kitchen/dining area, downstairs WC, 3 bedrooms (master en-suite), family bathroom, allocated parking for 2 cars, front & rear gardens. This property will not be available for long. EPC: B



OLDURY, Broadway
£725 pcm+ Fees
A large extended traditional link detached house in a quiet cul-de-sac. Entrance porch leading to entrance hall, large through lounge/dining area, study/playroom, separate bathroom with 'Y' shaped bath & shower over, 3 double bedrooms, large rear garden, driveway to front for 2 cars. EPC: E



NEW PRICE
HALESOWEN, Newton Court
£725 pcm+ Fees
A recently converted 3 bedroom ground floor apartment finished to an extremely high standard and centrally located with commuter links to Halesowen and Birmingham. Featuring 2 double bedrooms, bath with fitted wardrobe, 2 bathrooms, 1 single bedroom, 2 entry rooms downstairs, secondary glazing throughout. Allocated parking. Viewings recommended. EPC: C



HALESOWEN, Malvern Road
£805 pcm+ Fees
Within walking distance to Halesowen, is this 3 story town house. Well worth an inspection inside and out within a quiet cul-de-sac, comprising of: 3 bedrooms, large fitted dining kitchen, very large lounge, downstairs wc, large bathroom with shower, double glazing, gas central heating, off road parking for 2 cars and garage, close to local schools and college. EPC: E



HALESOWEN, Haden Hill Road
£805 pcm+ Fees
Fully refurbished to a very high standard 3 bedroom detached house close to Halesowen Town Centre. This lovely property has a reception room, brand new fitted kitchen with oven/hob, dining room with patio doors leading to a private rear garden, upstairs are 2 double bedrooms & 1 single, brand new fitted family bathroom with shower. Driveway for 2 cars. Available mid December. EPC: B



DUDLEY, Tansley Hill Road
£860 pcm+ Fees
A wonderful family home, situated in a lovely quiet backwater cul-de-sac, enjoying far reaching views to the rear of the property. While tradition is style, this home has been extended and boasts an excellent family kitchen/dining room. There is a driveway for 2 cars, large rear garden with a detached garage. Viewings highly recommended EPC: D



HALESOWEN, Tays Lane
£825 pcm+ Fees
A refurbished large detached house ideal for shops and the number 8 bus. Featuring 3 double bedrooms, 2 reception rooms, large fitted kitchen, large bathroom with white suite and shower. Gas central heating, double glazing, small back garden and driveway for 1 car. EPC: B



HALESOWEN, West Road
£825 pcm+ Fees
A lovely 3 bedroom traditional semi-detached house in this popular location for Colley Lane Primary School and the nearest 8 bus. Featuring a large lounge with fireplace, fitted kitchen, 2 double & 1 single bedroom, family bathroom, garage, driveway, front & rear gardens. Available now. EPC: B



HALESOWEN, Haden Hill Road
£825 pcm+ Fees
A great size house close to Halesowen and buses to Halesowen and Cradley Heath just outside. This house features 2 reception rooms, dining room, fitted kitchen, 1 double bedroom and 1 single bedroom, bathroom with shower, rear garden, on road parking. Available now. Short term let for 6 months, possibly longer. EPC: E



NEW
HALESOWEN, Intended Street
£550 pcm+ Fees
Undergo a complete refurbishment. Ideal for Colley Lane Primary School and bus links to Halesowen, Cradley Heath and Stourbridge. Featuring 2 large reception rooms, 2 large bedrooms, downstairs bathroom with shower, modern kitchen, off road parking and a garage. EPC: B



HALESOWEN, Wicklow Close
£525 pcm+ Fees
A well presented modern 2 bedroom ground floor apartment on the very popular Skyrails estate, Halesowen. The property has a reception hall, lounge, modern kitchen, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom with shower. Private large garden & garage is located in a separate block. A lovely property which is available now! EPC: B



HALESOWEN, Wright Street
£485 pcm+ Fees
Close to Halesowen Town Centre and Testarfields Primary School. This end terrace house features gas central heating, copy living room, dining room, fitted kitchen, 1 double bedroom and 1 single bedroom, bathroom with shower, rear garden, on road parking. Available now. Short term let for 6 months, possibly longer. EPC: E



KIDDERMINSTER, Kents Place
£485 pcm+ Fees
A well presented 2 bedroom ground floor flat, having accommodation including: hall, lounge, refitted kitchen with appliances, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing and cul de sac location. Virginia Broadfoot connection to available. EPC: C



NEW
HALESOWEN, Highfield Road
£475 pcm+ Fees
Receptively large semi-detached house, close to local shops and buses to Halesowen, Stourbridge and Cradley Heath featuring 2 good sized lounges, fitted kitchen, downstairs bathroom with shower, 2 double bedrooms, nice size rear garden, on road parking, available now. EPC: E



NEW
TIPTON, Ferguson Drive
£450 pcm+ Fees
A lovely modern 1st floor apartment, which is ideally located for dining and shopping. This great apartment features: 2 bedrooms, spacious lounge, fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower, electric storage heating, double glazing, 2 allocated parking spaces, communal gardens, internal viewing recommended. EPC: E



ROWLEY REGIS, The Grange
£450 pcm+ Fees
Located within minutes of Blackheath Town Centre. This lovely well furnished ground floor apartment features electric storage heating, open plan living room/fitted kitchen, 1 double bedroom, bathroom with shower, allocated parking space. EPC: B



CRADLEY HEATH, Victoria Gardens
£385 pcm+ Fees
A modern 1st floor apartment, in the centre of Old Hill with local bus stop outside and Old Hill train station close by. This apartment comprises of 1 double bedroom, electric storage heating, double glazing, fitted kitchen, bathroom with shower, allocated parking, refurbished. EPC: C



NEW
LYE, High Street
£375 pcm+ Fees
Modern 1st floor flat close to Cradley Heath train station & all bus routes. Featuring an open plan lounge/fitted kitchen with appliances, hallway to 1 double bedroom, bathroom suite with shower, electric central heating, communal garden to rear of property, on road parking. Available early February. Only 1 month security deposit. EPC: E



CRADLEY HEATH, Upper High Street
£375 pcm+ Fees
Modern 1st floor flat close to Cradley Heath train station & all bus routes. Featuring an open plan lounge/fitted kitchen with appliances, hallway to 1 double bedroom, bathroom suite with shower, electric central heating, communal garden to rear of property, on road parking. Available early February. Only 1 month security deposit. EPC: E

PROPERTY

Period residence still retains original features



A MOST unique opportunity has arisen to acquire this attractive bay fronted period residence occupying a prime location in one of the city of Wolverhampton's most desirable neighbourhoods.

Priced at £325,000, it is set off Tettenhall Green village and its abundance of local amenities.

This semi-detached in Churchill Road has enjoyed meticulous restoration which offers a high standard of living whilst still boasting many original features, making an internal viewing essential.

Split over three floors the accommodation briefly comprises reception hallway, lounge, breakfast kitchen, dining room, sun room, guest we, four bedrooms, family bathroom and landscaped gardens to the front and rear.

Call Nick Tart on 01902 755585.



Three-bedroom semi has £169,950 price tag



BEING well appointed with an impressive lounge/dining room, this three-bedroomed semi-detached house in the Finchfield area of Wolverhampton is for sale through Home Point at £169,950.

With double glazing and gas central heating, the property has an entrance hall, lounge/dining room, modern breakfast kitchen with a gas hob, oven and grill combination, contemporary bathroom with fully tiled walls, driveway to fore of the property with enough spaces for several vehicles and a garage.

Wolverhampton city centre is less than two miles away from the property in Whiteoak Drive.

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- Double Tandem Garage Driveway and Garden To The Rear
- Cul-de-sac Location Handy For Local Amenities Viewing Recommended

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RIDGACRE LANE

- Traditional Semi Detached Property EPC Rating D
- Two Reception Rooms Fitted Kitchen Utility Room Grd Floor W/c
- Three Well Proportioned Bedrooms Bathroom W/c
- Side Garage Driveway Pleasant Rear Garden
- Internal Viewing Recommended To Appreciate Accommodation

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STANLEY ROAD

- Traditional Bay Fronted Semi Detached Property EPC Rating E
- Lounge and Kitchen/Diner To The Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To The First Floor
- Property Benefits From A Gas Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- There Is A Drive To The Front and Garden To The Rear

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MONCKTON ROAD

- Traditional Bay Fronted Semi Detached Property Awaiting EPC Rating
- Lounge Dining Room Kitchen and Utility Area To Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To First Floor
- Property Benefits From a Gas Fired Central Heating System
- Side Garage Driveway and Front and Rear Gardens

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QUINTON

HIGGINS LANE

- Semi Detached Property EPC Rating E
- Lounge and Kitchen-Dining Room To The Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To The First Floor
- There Is A Block Paved Frontage and Garden To The Rear
- Property Benefits From Having No Upward Chain.

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QUINTON

SIMMONS DRIVE

- Mid Terrace Property EPC Rating C
- Lounge Dining Room Fitted Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms Bathroom W/c
- Driveway To The Front Garden To The Rear
- Well Presented Property Internal Viewing Recommended

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QUINTON

DIMMINGSDALE BANK

- Mid Terrace Property Awaiting EPC Rating
- Lounge Dining Kitchen and Cloakroom W/c To The Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Family Bathroom W/c To The First Floor
- Property Benefits From A Gas Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- Outside There Are Gardens To The Front and Rear

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CAUSEWAY GREEN ROAD

- Traditional Semi Detached Property Awaiting EPC
- Lounge Kitchen and Bathroom Downstairs
- Three Bedrooms To The First Floor
- Property Benefits From A Gas Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- Outside There is a Driveway to The Front and Garden To The Rear

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WHEATLEY ROAD

- Semi Detached Property EPC Rating C
- Lounge Kitchen and Cloakroom W/c To Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To First Floor
- Gas Fired Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- Imprint Drive To The Front Garden To The Rear

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BARTLEY GREEN

CLEINT WAY

- First Floor Apartment EPC Rating
- Lounge Kitchen Double Bedroom Bathroom W/c
- Property Benefits From Double Glazing and Electric Storage Heaters
- Outside There Is A Non Allocated Parking Area
- There Is No Upward Chain On The Property Viewing Highly Recommended

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WHITE ROAD

- Extended Bay Fronted Semi Detached Property EPC Rating E
- Extended Lounge Dining Room Extended Kitchen Cloakroom W/c
- Three Bedrooms Bathroom W/c
- Property Benefits From A Gas Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- Outside There is Off Road Parking To The Front and Garden To The Rear
- A Must View Property To Appreciate Accommodation

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OAK ROAD

- Traditional Bay Fronted Link Detached Property EPC Rating C
- Lounge Dining Room Fitted Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms Family Bathroom W/c
- Benefitting From A Gas Fired Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- Side Garage Driveway Rear Garden

£190,000 QUINTON 0121 4217766



OLDBURY

VALENTINE ROAD

- End Terrace Property EPC Rating D
- Lounge Kitchen-Dining Room Utility Room Cloakroom W/c
- Three Bedrooms Family Bathroom W/c
- Property benefits From A Gas Central Heating System and Double Glazing
- Driveway to The Front Garden To The Rear

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ROWLEY REGIS

TITFORD LANE

- Detached Property Benefiting From No Upward Chain EPC Rating D
- Through Lounge and Kitchen To Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To First Floor
- Block Paved Frontage Garden To The Rear
- Property Requires Upgrading Throughout

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- Four Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To First Floor

£750 pcm QUINTON 0121 4217766



WOODGATE VALLEY

WARSTON AVENUE

- Three Storey Mid Town House EPC Rating
- Lounge Kitchen Diner To First Floor
- Three Bedrooms Bathroom Separate W/c To Second Floor
- Integral Garage Drive Garden To The Rear

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SEYMOUR ROAD

- Mid Terrace Property EPC Rating
- Two Reception Rooms Kitchen Downstairs W/c To The Ground Floor
- Two Bedrooms and Bathroom To The First Floor
- Gardens To The Front and Rear Of The Property

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HALESOWEN

NEW ENGLAND

- Maisonette Over Two Floors EPC Rating
- Lounge Dining Kitchen To The Ground Floor
- Two Bedrooms Shower Room Separate W/c To First Floor
- There Is A Garage In A Separate Block

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BEECHES ROAD

- Well maintained Mid Terrace Property EPC Rating D
- Lounge Fitted Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms Bathroom W/c
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Unfurnished Property Available Late August

£550 pcm QUINTON 0121 4217766



HALESOWEN

RIDGEWAY AVENUE

- Semi Detached Property Re-furbished To A High Standard EPC Rating D
- Extended Lounge Separate Dining Room Fitted Kitchen
- Three Well proportioned Bedrooms Bathroom W/c

£1,100 pcm QUINTON 0121 4217766



BARTLEY GREEN

WOODGATE DRIVE

- End Terrace Property Recently Re-furbished Throughout EPC Rating C
- Lounge/Dining Room Open To Fitted Kitchen On Ground Floor
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom W/c To First Floor
- Gardens To The Front and Rear Of The Property

£625 pcm QUINTON 0121 4217766



BARTLEY GREEN

PICKERING CROFT

- Unfurnished Ground Floor Flat Available Early February EPC Rating C
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High hopes for new citycar

By David Banner

Suzuki has had a tough time in the past few years, and when pressed its UK importers tend to hold up their hands and put the blame squarely on global exchange rates.

Yes, those same exchange rates that saw Daihatsu pull out of the UK and Subaru discover the relative strength of the yen versus the pound made its cars as expensive as some BMWs and Audis.

We have every sympathy for Suzuki. Subaru were pretty much hosed for a while because all of its manufacturing base was in Japan, so they bore the full brunt of the fiscal fluctuations. Suzuki has boxed a bit cleverer and leveraged its longstanding association with Maruti in India to bring us the Celerio citycar. Can it compete with some very sophisticated rivals in the UK? More to the point, does it actually need to?

The 1.0-litre three-cylinder petrol engine develops a total of 66bhp at 6,000rpm and 89Nm of torque at 3,500rpm, so you're going to need to give the throttle pedal a bit of treatment to get anywhere.

Power goes to the front wheels via a five-speed manual gearbox at first, but we suspect that most UK buyers will want to talk to their dealer about matching the Dualjet engine technology to Suzuki's Auto Gear Shift. This system features an intelligent shift control actuator positioned at the top of the transmission that operates the gearshift and clutch automatically. With

AGS, the driver can enjoy the ease driving of an automatic in city traffic, but without any loss in fuel efficiency or increase in CO2 emissions that would normally be the case with a conventional torque converter-equipped automatic transmission.

There's even a low-speed 'creep' facility which allows the car to move in gear without the accelerator being applied, ideal in slow traffic and when parking.

The Celerio probably isn't going to turn too many heads, being a fairly generic-looking citycar in the modern mould. That's not to say its styling lacks merit, just that it's nothing too adventurous. The most notable flourishes are probably the deeply sculpted flanks, with an arcing swage line that runs just below the door handles. The front grille is unusual, with a three-bar design that kinks upwards at each extremity into the big headlight pods.

Vast

The body measures just 3,600mm from stem to stern and 1,600mm wide, so parking it shouldn't present too much of a difficulty. A height of 1,530mm and a non-slanting roofline affords respectable headroom for occupants. The 2,425mm long wheelbase provides a tandem distance of 743mm, which gives plenty of space in the cabin for five occupants. The boot is vast for a citycar, with a capacity of 254-litres.

The Celerio is tasked with pensioning off both the Splash and the Alto in the Suzuki range, which is quite a weight of responsibility to land on its narrow shoulders. Built in Thailand, it's clearly targeting the value end of the citycar market.

Prices start at around £8,000 for the SZ3



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version, rising to around £9,000 for the plushier SZ4.

Standard specification highlights for the Celerio SZ3 include six airbags (driver, passenger, side and curtain), ESP stability control, air conditioning, alloy wheels, DAB Radio, CD tuner, USB, Bluetooth connectivity and remote central locking. The even higher equipped SZ4 model adds polished alloy wheels, rear electric windows, front fog lamps, body-coloured door mirrors and chrome front grille. The Celerio is offered in six colours, of which five are op-

tional metallic finish and one a standard solid colour.

The Suzuki Celerio is always going to be overshadowed by state-of-the-art city slickers like the Volkswagen Up or the Renault Twingo, but it was never really designed to compete with the more high-end offerings of the sector. But after the Hyundai i10 and the Volkswagen Up, the biggest selling citycar in the UK in 2014 was the Suzuki Alto. The Celerio looks set to do even better than the Alto, with its super-low emissions and clever transmission.



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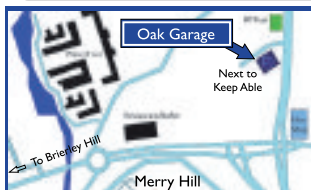
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Milestone show at NEC

By Tony Adams

The 2015 motorsport season is off to a flying start as stars, cars and action descended on Birmingham's NEC for a sell-out Autosport International Show.

Celebrating its 25th anniversary, Autosport is Europe's biggest dedicated motorsport show and attracted motoring fans of all ages and several celebrities including F1 star David Coulthard, World Endurance champion Anthony Davidson, Le Mans winner Alan McNish, World Rallycross champion Petter Solberg and British Touring Car champion Colin Turkington.

Midlands companies reported a suc-

cessful event with current touring car driver Matt Neal of West Bromwich-based Team Dynamics answering questions on the Rimstock Wheels stand, commenting: "Autosport at the NEC provided a great platform for the industry to kick the year off in style, with old and brand new cars and products alongside engineering expertise being showcased that we can truly boast about in the UK."

"We were delighted that high visitor numbers provided quality interest and potential future sales leads for Rimstock as an exhibitor."

Fantastic

Telford-based Cobra Seats was also displaying its products at the show and managing director Mark Dunsford said: "Autosport genuinely was a fantastic show and the best one we've done in the 15-plus years of exhibiting."

"We spent the Thursday and Friday trade days meeting well-established and new professional drivers, old friends, clients and generally networking, which itself proved very fruitful."

"We signed a good number of deals for professional drivers to use our seats in a wide range of disciplines, so we should have no less than 11 cars in the British Touring Cars Championship using Cobra Seats for 2015, including this year's championship winning team, West Surrey Racing with 2014 champion Colin Turkington."

"Then, at the weekend, we engaged with our public customer base old and new and spent valuable time showing them what we have developed at our Telford factory, and helping them with their specific needs for this year's events, ranging from grass roots



'We signed a good number of deals for professional drivers to use our seats'

stage and club rallying through to marine, speed and race events."

Various car clubs had stands with volunteer members on hand to offer advice and information on making the most of prized classic and sports cars. Pride of place in the Performance Car section went to Radio 2 DJ Chris Evans' La Ferrari, worth a cool £1.6 million, and Lewis Hamilton's F1 title-winning Mercedes AMG Petronas F1 car led the line-up on the F1 grid display.

Other trade stands encouraged visitor participation with several competitions for race driving game simulators and a timed F1-style wheel-change challenge.

Pictured above: Matt Neal (right) with colleague Justin Pugh on the Rimstock stand.

Pictured left: Tina Reeves, from Cobra Seats, with Aston Villa and Manchester United dug-out seats on the Cobra stand.



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Subaru's pioneering Outback crossover reincarnates for the fifth time this year

The new Subaru Outback, the fifth-generation of the brand's pioneering crossover, will go on sale in the UK from April 1 priced from £27,995 (on-the-road).

Introduced in 1995 as the first ever crossover and spawning a whole range of copy cat models ever since, the Outback has continued to successfully combine the virtues of a tourer with those of an SUV, winning over drivers with its practical, all-road nature.

The on the road price range of £27,995 to £32,995 means the all-new Outback stays in the same price bracket as the outgoing version despite having new exterior design, a more spacious and higher quality interior and a range of advanced safety equipment and in-car technology. The new Outback also boasts a very generous standard specification.

Technology

New to the latest model, EyeSight is Subaru's advanced collision avoidance technology which acts as a 'second pair of eyes' for drivers, employing stereo colour camera technology to monitor the road and traffic ahead for potential hazards. This is the first time the technology has been made available in the UK and Europe.

The system's two colour cameras are located in front of the rear view mirror to detect the presence of vehicles, pedestrians, cyclists and other potential hazards. EyeSight is fitted as standard to every Outback fitted with Subaru's Lineartronic (CVT) transmission, and includes autonomous Pre-collision Braking Control and Pre-collision Throttle Management, Adaptive



Cruise Control and Lane Departure & Sway Warning.

While clearly maintaining the distinctive Subaru Outback identity, Subaru's designers strived to make the new model more dynamic while keeping true to its rugged cross-over roots.

From the front, the bumper integrated hexagonal grille and hawk-eye headlights maintain consistency with other models in the Subaru family, while the profile is a subtle evolution of the existing Outback.

More significant changes can be found on the inside. The new model's revamped interior

uses a range of higher quality materials throughout, resulting in a much more premium cabin, complimented by a new range of factory-fit infotainment and sat nav systems. The interior is also more spacious for passengers.

There are two engines available in the UK – a pair of horizontally-opposed four-cylinder 'Boxer' engines, fitted deep in the engine bay to ensure a low centre of gravity for improved handling, despite the car's raised ground clearance.

Buyers can choose between a 2.0-litre turbo-diesel, producing 150 PS and 350 Nm torque, or a naturally-aspirated 2.5-litre petrol

unit, with power and torque outputs of 165 PS and 235 Nm respectively.

Diesel engines will be offered with either a six-speed manual transmission or Subaru's Lineartronic (CVT) transmission; the 2.5-litre petrol engine is sold exclusively with Lineartronic.

There are two trim levels available in the UK – SE and SE Premium – which both offer a generous level of standard equipment.

SE models are equipped as standard with automatic LED headlamps and headlamp washers, cruise control, Active Torque Vectoring, 17-inch alloy wheels, heated front seats,

electrically-adjustable driver's seat and privacy glass, as well as a 7.0-inch touchscreen infotainment system, incorporating satellite navigation, audio, smartphone connectivity and a rear view parking camera. Petrol SE models also feature an emissions-reducing start-stop system and Subaru Intelligent Drive, which allows drivers to select different engine modes depending on road conditions for improved economy and performance.

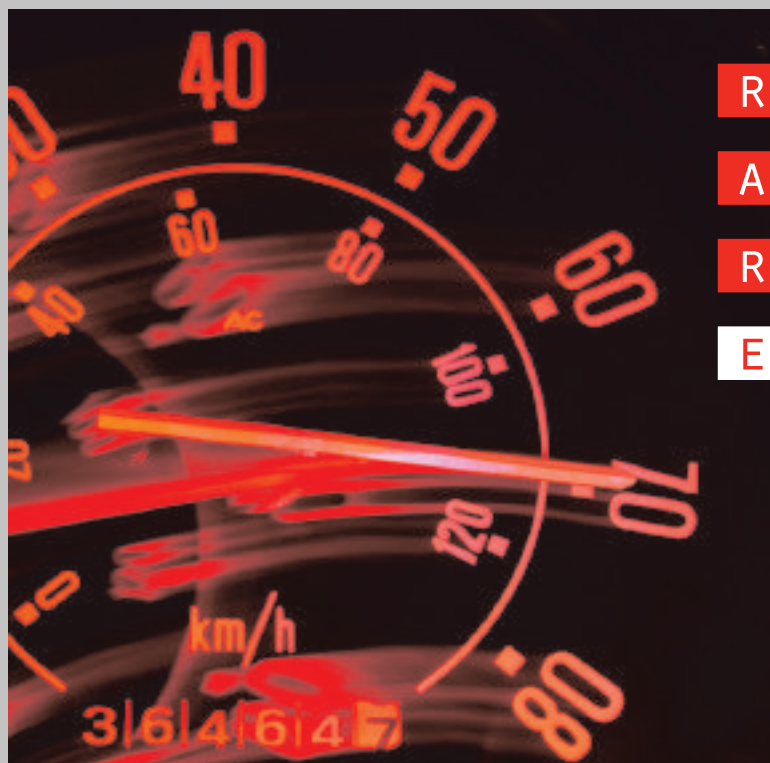
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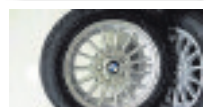
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Time is right as Jake joins the Yeltz

HALESOWEN TOWN have signed highly-rated attacking midfielder Jake Jones from King's Lynn Town.

The former Saddlers youngster attracted interest from several clubs this season after hitting 11 goals for the Norfolk outfit.

Yeltz manager John Hill said: "Jake is a player who I have admired and followed all season. As with all signings, it's all about timing."

Jones, 21, from Chelmsley Wood, got his first professional contract with Walsall in 2011 and made three first-team appearances.

After loan periods at Redditch United and Lincoln City he joined Tamworth, but his stay at The Lamb was short and he cancelled his contract in order to move to Kings Lynn last year.

Halesowen chairman Colin Brookes said: "I would imagine he'll make an appearance in the squad this week, he's a very good player."

"We've done well lately, and it seems like a good time to build on the squad. A great signing. We're really pleased with him."

Halesowen visit Frickley Athletic in the Evo-Stik Premier on Saturday.

La Parra is settling in at Wolves

WOLVES winger Rajiv Van La Parra insists he has adjusted to the Championship and is only going to get better.

The 23-year-old wide-man believes he will only improve after adapting to the English game.

"Coming over here from another country and adapting for a different style of football was going to take time," he said.

"But the more games I've played, the more I've done that and I think it can get better and better."

"If you're in the kind of flow I'm in and the team are in you just want it to carry on." Van La Parra is also happy to play up front after being used in a more central role recently.

Old Hales seconds come first in clash

**Old Halesonians 2nds 22
Sutton Coldfield 2nds 15**

ON a bright and breezy day at Wassell Grove both teams battled it out trying to gain dominance up front.

After 14 minutes of play Old Hales took clean ball from a lineup 15 metres from the Sutton try line and set up a driving maul.

Callum Young secured the ball at the back and made a timely break to score unopposed for a 5-0 lead to Old Hales.

After a further period of 10 minutes, with both sides having equal possession littered with basic mistakes, Sutton won a lineup

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close to the Hales line. A catch and drive proved successful for Sutton as they forced their way over for a converted try to make it 7-5 to Sutton.

Old Hales gradually took control at the scrum, providing a sound base for attacking play. From one of the attacking moves, left wing James Mitchell made his way towards the try line only to be bundled into touch five metres out. A Sutton error at the ensuing lineout gave Jon Deeks the opportunity to drive forward. From the ruck Matt Weaver took the ball on but was stopped just short of the line by Sutton's resolute defence.

Scrum half, George Eccles switched the ball to Callum Young in midfield and he slipped the ball to Jon Harris who crossed the line to score. The conversion was missed and Old Hales went in at half time with a 10-7 lead.

An early error by Old Hales in the second half allowed Sutton to score a penalty to bring the scores level. Old Hales came back strongly. Hales regained the lead when

No.8 James Saddler controlled the ball at the back of a driving scrum, picked up and powered his way over the Sutton line for a try, Andy Tromans added the conversion.

Shortly after Sutton hit back and, an attacking move down the right resulted in a try. The conversion was missed leaving the score 17-15 to the home side.

Old Hales piled on the pressure towards the end of the game and after a sustained attacking period in the Sutton 22 the ball was released from a ruck and Alex Herbert fed wing Jake Shellis, who was coming up at pace, to score the winning try.

Anichebe proves to be Albion talisman

Blues 1 Albion 2

THE Baggies found an unlikely Cup talisman in the shape of Victor Anichebe.

His laid-back style can frustrate supporters, teammates and managers alike. However, his power and eye for goal has now played a key part in guiding his side to the last 16. And Saturday brought a classic Anichebe display.

He was languid at times, downright lethargic at others yet still good enough in the moments that mattered to win a keenly-contested game for his side and move them a step closer to a big day out.

If only Pulis could unlock the rich potential of the big Scouser on a more regular basis and convince him that his body is stronger than he thinks, his current striker search might take on a less desperate look.

There were times when Pulis was apoplectic on the touchline with his team's sloppiness, especially in a second half in which their neighbours and hosts bombarded them with the kind of barrage that seemed certain to force a replay.

There was no inferiority complex about Gary Rowett's team despite the one-division gap between the sides and they played their full part in an intriguing encounter.

Yet they found their former goalkeeper Ben Foster in good form after he had replaced another ex-Blue in the injured Boaz Myhill, and their only goal came when Albion committed a rare defensive lapse late in the first half to doubtless ensure a half-time tongue-lashing

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from the ever-demanding Pulis.

Albion should have gone into the interval looking comfortable.

The Baggies threatened first when Saido Berahino lashed an early shot into the side netting but the game had struggled to get going when the young striker turned provider for Anichebe's opener on 25 minutes.

Berahino's through-ball found his strike partner in the area and Anichebe beat Blues keeper Darren Randolph, who should have done better, at his near post. And the visitors looked to be cruising when Anichebe doubled their lead 10 minutes later with a virtual carbon copy goal.

This time he collected a Berahino pass in a slightly more central area, outmuscled Paul Robinson and placed a shot inside the far post with the aid of a slight deflection.

Albion should have taken their two-goal cushion into the dressing room but Blues had other ideas and breathed in new life through Jonathan Grounds..



Victor Anichebe of West Bromwich Albion scores a goal to make it 2-0 past Paul Robinson of Birmingham City

Cricket club steps up to the oche

HALESOWEN Cricket Club will step up to the oche when they host a special event with top darts celebrity Wayne Mardle on Wednesday April 29.

Mardle, a former World Championship semi-finalist and now a Sky Sports pundit, will appear at the Seth Somers Park venue in what promises to be an entertaining night for Cricket and Darts fans, members and players alike. Mardle is widely regarded as one of the best exhibition players around.

Tickets are now on sale for the event, which also features Mardle's Sky Sports colleague Nigel Pearson who will host the evening.

And there's a chance to play Mardle with a raffle on the night to stand alongside 'Hawaii 501' on the oche - as well as a question and answer session.

Said Mardle: "I'm really looking forward to the event and I always have fun on the exhibition circuit."

There will also be an auction of sporting memorabilia. Seat numbers are limited so contact the club on 0121 550 2744, or contact a Halesowen CC official. Tickets can be ordered at sportstakevents.co.uk in the box office.

Blues Gray pulls in top award

BIRMINGHAM winger Demarai Gray is gearing up for FA Cup glory after being named the Football League's Young Player of the Month for December.

With a 34-minute hat-trick against Reading and a string of superb performances recently, Gray has played a starring role as Blues' rise up the Championship table continued in December.

Plucked from local football aged 10, Birmingham-born Gray has risen through the academy ranks to take a spot in the first team, where he has been an ever-present under new boss Gary Rowett.

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Govier is the last piece for Heathens

CRADLEY have finalised their squad for the new Speedway season by signing teenager Tyler Govier as their stand-by rider.

Govier, aged 18, will be used on the occasions when a Heathens reserve is unavailable and, although his opportunities will be limited, he is excited by the challenge of joining the reigning champions.

Having been handed the opportunity to join the "best club in the National League", he is keen to build on the experience he has gained with Buxton and Devon over the past two seasons.

Said Govier: "I'd like to thank the club for giving me the opportunity, and enabling me to be part of such a great club."

"Cradley is the best club in the National League, they've been really successful over the last few years and the chance to be part of that was something I just couldn't turn down really."

"I'm really looking forward to getting started, and hopefully I can take the opportunities I'm given."

Govier will join his new team mates for the first time at Cradley's press and practice on Wednesday, March 11 – followed by the club's season launch event that same night at the Copthorne Hotel in Brierley Hill.

Hackett makes double swoop

STOURBRIDGE boss Gary Hackett has continued to revamp his squad after signing two defenders.

Tyrone Williams has joined on a month's loan from Kidderminster Harriers, while former Albion youngster Luke Connolly has also arrived at Amblecote from Leamington.

The 20-year-old Williams, who progressed through the Harriers academy, has had first-team experience on loan at Redditch United and Sutton Coldfield Town.

Williams, who joins Harriers' Reece Hales at the Evo-Stik Premier club, will initially be with Stourbridge until February 14.

Connolly, 21, had a spell in Sweden after leaving Albion and then joined Solihull Moors on returning to England before switching to Leamington. The Brakes will retain his Conference registration.

Pulis brings in tough new training regime

ALBION keeper Ben Foster has lifted the lid on Tony Pulis' tough new regime at Albion and insisted: "Nobody gets away with anything now."

Foster says the new Hawthorns head coach has tightened up on discipline and put in place a "brutal" new training regime to get players fitter.

The Baggies are unbeaten in four games under Pulis after Saturday's 2-1 FA Cup win at Birmingham.

Foster, who worked under Pulis previously at Stoke, said: "He lets nobody have rest days or slack off – nothing like that."

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Everybody is training to their maximum potential every day and everybody is looking a bit fitter and sharper.

"We get a Sunday off, which is a nice family day, but when we're in in the week it's hard work and it's a big step up from what we have been doing in recent years and I really like it."

"That is Tony's way. I knew that before. He's so professional, so thorough and he thinks everything through down to the

minutest detail. If you're somebody who is willing to work hard, be professional and do it the right way then you'll fit in, and if not you haven't got much of a chance with him."

"I would say he is just onto players a bit more."

"Nobody really gets away with anything now."

"Maybe coming in on a Monday when you haven't got a game until Saturday and you're still maybe a bit sore from the game on a Saturday, maybe before you could have had a little rest day and taken it easy."

"You don't get that now. It is brutal but I

love it. I think it's fantastic. If I was a manager I would be like him. It's great."

"You've got to treat football players like kids sometimes. If you give them an inch they will take a mile – it's amazing."

"He has set up a brilliant fines system which has already recouped a good bit of money and people will be looking over their shoulders and not slipping up anymore."

Foster played his part in the derby at the weekend and while he conceded a goal from Blues defender Jonathan Grounds he saved two long-range efforts late in the game from substitute Demarai Gray.

Clarke will get title shot

HALESOWEN'S Lennox Clarke is just glad to have an opponent for his shot at the British Masters Bronze super middleweight title next month.

Clarke steps through the ropes in the Stadium Suite at the Banks' Stadium on Saturday February 21, with the contest scheduled for eight rounds.

The card had to be announced just before Christmas without him paired for his title tussle, such is the fearsome reputation he's building up.

The former white collar fighter has scored three stoppages from six straight wins, including a stunning 14 second knockout of Raimonds Sniedze.

But Dan Blackwell, brother of former English middleweight champion and British title challenger Nick, stepped up to the plate in the New Year.

While the Wiltshire scrapper has only won six out of 46 professional contests, he's only ever been stopped once, so Clarke will literally have to smash through him.

Tickets are £30, £40 ring-side and £50 VIP. Call the ticket office on 01922 651 414-416 or 07557 395 138.

Villa and Albion get home draws

ALBION and Villa have been handed home advantage in the only two guaranteed all-Premier League ties in the draw for the fifth round of the FA Cup.

The Baggies' reward for beating Birmingham City is to be paired with West Ham, while Villawill host old foes Leicester in the ties over the weekend of February 14-15.

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YELTZ UNABLE TO BREAK DEADLOCK

Halesowen Town 0 Ilkeston FC 0

IN-FORM Halesowen were just unable to break the stalemate in a compelling tussle between the division's two in-form teams.

But the Yeltz always looked more likely to snatch any match winner as Tom Tonks launched a series of dangerous long throw-ins into the heart of Ilkeston's penalty area.

Visiting goalkeeper Jordan Smith tipped away an early looping half-volley from Tonks and then pushed away a goal-bound shot from Kris Green to keep Yeltz off the scoreboard.

The Robins replied as Rob Duffy's 24th minute header bounced off the top of the Halesowen bar giving the hosts a reprieve.

Lively

Halesowen's Ben Haseley looked lively and made a fine run before squaring for Tonks to shoot weakly and Smith was in action again as he grabbed Iyseden Christie's deceptive back header to make sure the deadlock was still in place.

A loud appeal for a penalty then fell on deaf ears as the ball struck Ilkeston's James Reid.

Home captain Curtis Tilt won three crucial defensive challenges before Matt Sargeant turned away a good effort from Ilkeston's Akil Wright in the 40th minute.

Just before the interval, Green worked well forward again but his attempt rolled agonisingly wide of the

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mark and both sides had to go into the changing rooms scoreless.

The Yeltz went close in the second half when Aaron Griffiths scooped over the bar and Christie latched on to a poor clearance from goalkeeper Smith to fire just wide.

Further late chances fell for Danny Bragoli but his shot fired high and substitute Robert Thompson-Brown's half-volley deflected safely into Smith's arms which meant the game ended even and the points shared.

Halesowen Town: Sargeant; Green, Griffiths (MacKenzie 88), Forde, Kettle, Tilt (c), Charlton, Tonks, Christie (Thompson-Brown 77), Haseley, Bragoli (Turner 77).

Unused Subs: Hull, Pearson (GK).

Ilkeston FC: Smith; Reid, Shaw, Baker, Maguire (c), Lane, Wright, Chettle, Duffy, Williams (Fortnam-Tomlinson 64), Simons (Samba 87).

Unused Subs: Gorman, Hodgett-Young, Uade.

Referee: Grant Taylor.

One week on and Wolves wilt at Molineux



Dave Edwards of Wolves takes on defender Tal Ben Haim during the goalless match at Molineux

Wolves 0 Charlton 0
THEY say a week is a long time in politics but it seems the same is true of football, certainly for Wolves.

Seven days on from the joyous scenes at the end of the Blackpool game that provided a fitting send-off for Sir Jack Hayward, Wolves failed to produce a fitting finale.

In fact, the 23,487 inside Molineux will know it was a lot worse than that as they digested the news that their

bitter rivals had their eyes on their best player in Bakary Sako, who was much missed.

If the former owner and chairman was watching on, he would have had a wry smile at the chants of 'thumbs up for Sir Jack' because he'd have felt it was more of a thumbs-down moment in his beloved team's quest for Premier League football.

Wolves huffed and puffed their way through this fixture, which was

every bit as dull and grey as the Wolverhampton skyline.

Head coach Jackett had called for high energy and a greater crispness to their game.

But for the second match in a row, his side lacked sufficient tempo and urgency to earn the right to put the game to bed early on. Seven days earlier, the breakthrough always seemed within sight but they found Charlton made of tougher stuff.

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